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Activist parents target new lessons

‘Social and emotional learning’ in school systems such as West Hartford draws backlash from some

By Daniela Altamari
Hartford Courant

Ell G., a nonbinary high school senior from West Hartford, didn't hear much about LGBTQ identities when they were younger, apart from a brief mention of the AIDS epidemic in a middle school health class.

“That was all the queer educa-

tion I received,” they said. “For most of my life, none of this stuff was discussed.”

West Hartford is trying to change that. This year, the school system has adopted a framework that embeds what the district says are age-appropriate social justice standards into classroom lessons, from kindergarten through grade 12. It includes a new “gender liter-

acy” component that focuses on identity and inclusion.

The approach has sparked a backlash from some parents, who say the schools are exposing young children to what they view as difficult concepts relating to race, sexual identity and gender expression.

“The very real truth is that the vast majority of children have no idea of these concepts and do not have the ability to understand the complexity of these topics [through] a modern lens,” David McCullough, a father of three, told the school board earlier this month.

“That the board is even contemplating ... that teachers rather than parents would introduce topics such as the ability to identify as a different gender than the one assigned at birth or that one's race results in difference with peers, to kindergarteners or other elementary school children is profoundly troubling.”

Attacks on lessons that emphasize empathy and celebrate diver-

sity echo the uproar over the teaching of critical race theory. In both cases, conservative groups assert that the education establishment is sowing division and encroaching on the rights of parents by indoctrinating students with untested liberal ideas on race, gender and sexuality.

“It truly feels like a real-time social experiment being conducted on my kids,” said Victoria Coyle, a mother of three children, two

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“After a period of time, it’s kind of like you’ve been there, done that. And I think it’s time for somebody fresh to take a look at it.” — Ray Dunaway, WTIC-AM morning radio personality



Ray Dunaway, who has hosted the WTIC-AM morning show since 1992, will host his final show Christmas Eve. **MARK MIRKO/HARTFORD COURANT**

Veteran radio voice

Dunaway to sign off

After nearly three decades, he will retire from WTIC-AM next month

By Kenneth R. Gosselin | Hartford Courant

Ray Dunaway, the morning radio personality who followed the legendary Bob Steele on WTIC-AM and won over listeners with a relaxed but informed conversational style, will retire from the radio station next month after 29 years.

“You just get tired of waking up,” Dunaway said. “You just do. I love the morning. I do. I wouldn’t do any other shift, but the thing is, after a period of time, it’s kind of like you’ve been there, done that. And I think it’s time for somebody fresh to take a look at it.”

Dunaway, 72, said the decision to retire from the morning show, which airs weekdays from 5:30 a.m. to 9 a.m., was entirely his own. His last show will be on Dec. 24.

His co-host, Brian Shactman, will continue to host the morning show, the station’s parent company, Audacy, said.

Dunaway was hired to replace Steele in 1992, bringing with him more than two decades of radio experience elsewhere in the country.

Steele had a storied local broadcasting career spanning more than five decades, and Dunaway would be Steele’s second replacement. Steele’s immediate successor lasted just a year.

“The fact of the matter is, it was nerve-racking because I had gone to Trinity [College] and my roommate used to listen to Bob religiously,” Dunaway said. “He was really good. It was a great respon-

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Guns on

streets

the new

normal

Open or concealed carrying becomes more commonplace

By Morgan Lee
Associated Press

As Kyle Rittenhouse was acquitted in two killings that he said were self-defense, armed civilians patrolled the streets near the Wisconsin courthouse with guns in plain view.

In Georgia, testimony in the trial of Ahmaud Arbery’s killers showed that armed patrols were commonplace in the neighborhood where Arbery, a 25-year-old Black man, was chased down by three white men and shot.

The two proceedings sent startling new signals about the boundaries of self-defense as more guns emerge from homes amid political and racial tensions and the advance of laws that ease permitting requirements and expand the allowable use of force.

Across much of the nation, it has become increasingly acceptable for Americans to walk the streets with firearms, either carried openly or legally concealed. In places that still forbid such behavior, prohibitions on possessing guns in public could soon change if the U.S. Supreme Court strikes down a 108-year-old New York law.

The new status quo for firearms outside the home was on prominent display last week in Kenosha, Wisconsin. Local resident Erick Jordan carried a rifle and holstered handgun near the courthouse where Rittenhouse was tried for killing two men and wounding a third with an AR-15-style semiautomatic rifle during a protest last year.

“I got a job to do — protect these people. That’s it,” said Jordan, referring to speakers at a news conference that was held in the hours after the verdict.

Speakers included an uncle of Jacob Blake, the Black man who was paralyzed in a shooting by a white police officer that touched

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Theatergoers mask up and fill seats

Audiences enthusiastic despite enduring some pandemic concessions

By Christopher Arnott
Hartford Courant

More signs to read. Fewer paper playbills. Documents to show at the door. An extra line or two to stand in. No more unwrapped cookies at the concession stand. And masks — everybody’s wearing masks, not just for shows like “Phantom of the Opera.”

Otherwise, it’s business as usual at Connecticut theaters. Visits to Hartford Stage, The Goodspeed, The Bushnell, Playhouse on Park and Long Wharf Theatre in recent weeks suggest

more people are venturing out to shows, and informal chats in the lobbies suggest that they feel safe doing it.

The enthusiasm is palpable. Some theaters work the return of live theater into the performance itself. “A Grand Night for Singing” at the Goodspeed played up the turning on of spotlights and the opening swells of the orchestra. “Doubt” was staged on a purposely bare stage at Westport Country Playhouse, drawing attention to the theater building.

Audiences are enthusiastic. Some theaters provoke large pre-show reactions with “We’re back” speeches. Theater leaders who don’t customarily give

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Audiences returning to The Bushnell and other Connecticut theater venues have largely followed COVID-19 precautions without issue. **SEAN FOWLER/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT**

SUV plows into

Christmas parade

Police say there were fatalities when an SUV drove into participants in a Christmas parade in Waukesha, Wisconsin, injuring more than 20 people. **News, Page 4**

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of whom attend Bugbee Elementary School in West Hartford.

“These are sensitive topics,” Coyle told the school board on Nov. 3. “Not all children are developmentally ready for nuanced topics like this at young ages.”

Another West Hartford parent, Jenny Fischer, said the district’s transgender-inclusive curriculum has resulted in some awkward conversations with her three young children. “I had the opportunity to review the lesson plan and when words such as ‘cisgender,’ ‘nonbinary,’ ‘gender-questioning,’ among others are being defined on the board and we are making students question ideas about themselves that many had not thought of before, that might be a problem,” Fischer said.

The case laid out by McCullough, Coyle and Fisher was amplified by Parents Defending Education, a national group that collects reports from parents upset that their local schools are embracing “harmful agendas” that “force kids into divisive identity groups.”

“Parents are increasingly concerned about schools’

focus on gender identity under the guise of social justice,” said Erika Sanzi, director of outreach for Parents Defending Education. “Unfortunately, they are running into a brick wall when they raise these concerns and are also told by school officials that the content is required and they are not allowed opt their children out. The current orthodoxy is to teach very young children that their sex was assigned at birth by their parents but is completely disconnected from their gender, that they should be the ones to choose if they are a boy or girl. This curriculum represents the ideological manipulation of children’s minds and it leaves them confused and their parents feeling powerless.”

West Hartford school officials say the culture war over race, gender and education is being whipped up by outside groups who are misrepresenting what’s actually being taught in the schools.

“First it was the boogeyman of CRT,” said Tom Moore, superintendent of schools in West Hartford, referring to the furor over critical race theory, a graduate-level academic framework for examining the impact of systemic racism.

“Now it is ‘gender equity indoctrination,’ meant to frighten people about what their children are hearing, even though we rarely see any concrete examples, just books that people want banned,” he said.

Moore said both he and Roszena Haskins, the district’s director of equity enhancement, were flooded with negative and threatening feedback after the National Review published an account that condemned West Hartford for making books with transgender content such as “When Aidan Became a Brother” available to elementary-age students.

“In the past week, we have received phone calls and emails that our days are numbered and we’re going to have to answer before God for supporting deviant behavior like homosexuality,” Moore said.

West Hartford isn’t unique. Activist parent groups around the nation have turned their focus to educational initiatives that seek to fortify children’s mental health by providing them with tools to process their emotions, take responsibility for their actions and empathize with those from different backgrounds and cultures.

Many districts, includ-

ing West Hartford, have embraced the concept of social and emotional learning, which aims to “provide students with understandings and skills that they need to increase their social consciousness and act in ways that foster respect, empathy, fairness and universal humanity,” according to a letter Haskins sent to parents last month.

Conservatives say such programs undermine parents and direct focus away from what they consider the core mission of public schools: teaching academic basics.

“The [school] board can accomplish its goals by simply instructing children to be nice to one another,” McCullough said. “I encourage the board to stop spending its valuable time and energy on such personal, moral and political endeavors and focus on improving on literacy, STEM skills and civics understanding in our children.”

That criticism is short-sighted, according to children’s mental health experts who say they have seen a sharp spike in the number of children experiencing psychological distress related to the COVID-19 crisis.

“We are seeing more

trauma as a result of the pandemic and when kids suffer trauma, their brains literally cannot take in new learning,” said Virginia A. DeLong, who has been a school counselor for 18 years and currently serves as advocacy chair for the Connecticut School Counselor Association.

Educators reject the notion that social and emotional learning is a code word for instilling “woke-ness” in kindergartners.

“It’s about teaching kids that we may not always agree and we may not align with other people’s experiences, but we can learn how to be respectful of one another,” DeLong said. “I don’t see these skills as political. I see them as human rights issues. But I guess it’s easier to demonize these programs rather than taking the time to understand them and how they benefit our kids.”

Programs that teach empathy and understanding can be literal lifesavers for trans and nonbinary teens. A 2020 national survey by Trevor Foundation found that such students were less likely to attempt suicide if they had access to an in-person LGBTQ-affirming school.

Moore said West Hartford’s social and emotional

learning curriculum aims to send a message of belonging and support to “that child who feels different, who has been labeled ‘weird’ or ‘freak’ by the callous few.”

Lessons that focus on diversity and inclusion bolster the mental health of kids who identify as LGBTQ as well as their cisgender peers, said Barry Walters, the founder and team leader of West Hartford Pride.

“They’re starting in kindergarten to address bullying before it starts and give kids who feel different something to latch on to,” said Walters, who is also the father of a 15-year-old who attends West Hartford schools. “It lays the groundwork for what comes later, and I can’t fathom how it could be a problem to teach kids to accept one another.”

Ell G. agreed. The teen, who came out as nonbinary in eighth grade, is enrolled in the REACH program, an alternative public high school for students who benefit from smaller classes.

The district’s emphasis on social and emotional learning can help all students, Ell G. said. “It’s important for people to have respect and compassion,” they said. “I think that’s true not only for the students who are trans but for the students who are questioning or who are cis.”

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off protests across the city in the summer of 2020.

“This is my town, my people,” Jordan said. “We don’t agree on a lot of things, but we fight, we argue, we agree to disagree and go home safe, alive.”

“That’s real self-defense.”

The comments were a counter punch to political figures on the right who welcomed the Rittenhouse verdict and condemned his prosecution.

Mark McCloskey, who pleaded guilty in June to misdemeanor charges stemming from when he and

his wife waved a rifle and a handgun at Black Lives Matter protesters outside their St. Louis home in 2020, said the verdict shows that people have a right to defend themselves from a “mob.” He currently is a Republican candidate for U.S. Senate in Missouri.

On Sunday, several dozen people gathered in a Kenosha park and warmed up with chants for justice before taking to the streets to protest the acquittal.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson was to appear in Kenosha, but did not come. Organizers said he was working with congressional leaders to ask that the Department of Justice investigate

the case for further prosecution.

The Rittenhouse verdict arrived as many states are expanding self-defense laws and loosening the rules for carrying guns in public. Both gun sales and gun violence have been on the rise.

At the same time, six states in 2021 removed requirements to get a permit to carry guns in public, the largest number in any single year, according to the Giffords Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence. In all, 30 states have enacted “stand your ground” laws, which remove a requirement to retreat from confrontations before using deadly force.

Wisconsin has a tougher standard for claiming self-defense, and Rittenhouse was able to show the jury that he reasonably believed his life was in danger and that the amount of force he used was appropriate.

Ryan Busse, a former firearms-industry executive who now supports moderate gun control as an author and consultant, said the case reinforced the normalization of military-style weapons on city and suburban streets.

“Reasonable gun owners are freaked out by this,” he said. “How is it that we see this and people are just like, ‘There’s a guy with an AR-15’

That happens in third-world countries.”

He highlighted that a lesser charge against Rittenhouse as a minor in possession of a dangerous weapon was dropped before the verdict.

“There’s a facet of Wisconsin law that allows kids to take their hunting rifle out with their dad or uncle,” Busse said. “Well he’s not hunting. ... The old gun culture is being used to cover up for this new, dangerous firearms culture.”

Gun-rights advocates seeking greater access to weapons and robust self-defense provisions argue that armed confrontations will remain rare.

Discord over the right to carry guns in public places spilled over into state legislatures in the aftermath of a 2020 plot to storm the Michigan Capitol, the Jan. 6 insurrection at the U.S. Capitol and other threats. States including Michigan and New Mexico this year banned guns at their capitols, while Montana and Utah shored up concealed-carry rights.

At the Supreme Court, justices are weighing the biggest guns case in more than a decade, a dispute over whether New York’s 1913 gun permitting law violates the Second Amendment right to “keep and bear arms.”

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JULIE D. BELAGA 1930-2021

State’s first female GOP nominee for governor

By Mark Pazniokas
CT Mirror

Julie D. Belaga, a political moderate whose victory in a three-way primary in 1986 made her the first woman nominated for governor by the Connecticut Republican Party, died Friday night at her home at an assisted living facility in Westport. She was 91.

Her death was confirmed by her son, David D. Belaga.

“She was a terrific lady and a real asset to politics in Connecticut,” said former Gov. Lowell P. Weicker Jr., one of the political contemporaries who encouraged her to run 35 years ago.

Belaga was elected to the General Assembly in 1976, representing Westport in the 136th House District. She was 46, one of a generation of women who came to Hartford in the 1970s, when the GOP elected more women than did the Democratic Party.

The decade began with fewer than 20 women in what was then a 177-seat House of Representatives. In 1976, Belaga was one of 31 women, 18 of them Republicans, elected to a House downsized to its present 151 seats.

She was in the minority for all but her last term, but she contributed to the crafting and passage of coastal management and waste-disposal bills. Buoyed

by the landslide victory of Ronald Reagan, the GOP won an 86-66 majority in 1984, its first since 1972.

Her run for governor came 12 years after Democrat Ella T. Grasso became the first woman elected governor in the state in 1974 and 20 years before M. Jodi Rell became the state’s first Republican woman to win a gubernatorial election in 2006.

With the GOP in control, Belaga made a bid to become speaker of the House, losing to R.E. Van Norstrand of Darien, said Rell, who was a recently elected freshman during the contest. Belaga would have been the first woman elected speaker. She settled for deputy majority leader.

She downplayed gender as an issue in the 1986 gubernatorial race.

“The fact that I happen to be a woman is really kind of old news in our state, where Ella Grasso was a governor that was very successful,” Belaga told reporters after her primary win. “I don’t think that my gender is as much of a phenomenon here as it might be in other states. On the other hand, it certainly is not a liability.”

At the time, Weicker was a U.S.



Belaga

Senator with a tenuous place in a Republican Party that was shifting to the right under Reagan. The GOP’s state chair was his close ally and friend, Thomas J. D’Amore Jr.

John McKinney, the former state Senate GOP leader, said his late father, Congressman Stewart B. McKinney, and Weicker encouraged Belaga to run for governor, thinking she could be competitive in a primary as a candidate from Fairfield County.

“The numbers were very good for Fairfield County back in the day, for Republicans,” McKinney said. “So we thought she had a shot.”

D’Amore invited Belaga to a meeting about the party’s best approach to challenging Gov. William A. O’Neill, a Democrat, and capitalizing on the successes of 1984.

“I was in my ninth year in the legislature, and he called a group of people to his office and he said, ‘Who wants to run?’ And nobody raised their hand but me. It was all men but me,” Belaga recalled in an interview after D’Amore’s death in 2014.

Actually, two men were very much interested: Richard C. Bozzuto and Gerald Labriola, who had sought the nomination in 1982, when the GOP unified behind Lewis B. Rome, eschewing a primary.

Bozzuto was endorsed at the

state convention in 1986, where Belaga placed her own name in nomination, a ploy that allowed her to deliver a nominating speech. Stewart McKinney seconded the nomination.

“She gave a great speech,” John McKinney said.

Belaga had energetically positioned herself as best ready to take on the Democrats, saying, “I can’t wait.” It was an applause line that became her campaign slogan.

Rell said Belaga sought her support, but she was committed to Bozzuto.

Primaries were rare in the 1980s, particularly among Republicans who tended to abide by the judgment of convention delegates. Also, the threshold for qualifying was earning 20% of the convention vote, not the present 15%. But D’Amore urged a primary and told convention delegates it would be good for the party — especially after O’Neill succeeded in denying Toby Moffett the necessary delegate support for a Democratic challenge.

“We are not afraid to go to the people and have them join us in making our choices,” D’Amore said. “What were the Democrats afraid of?”

Belaga won the primary with 41% of the vote on Sept. 9. An early poll showed a competitive race, with 35% for O’Neill, 30% for

Belaga and 35% undecided. But when pushed, respondents gave O’Neill a 10-point lead that foreshadowed the ultimate result.

McKinney said Belaga came out of the late-season primary with a bump in the polls but little money for the general election. “She never got a chance really to get in the race, because she just didn’t have the finances,” he said. Connecticut has since moved its primaries to August.

O’Neill won easily, 575,638 to 408,489, and Democrats won back the General Assembly with majorities of 25-11 in the Senate and 92-59 in the House.

Belaga was from Brookline, Mass., and never shook her Boston accent. She was a graduate of Syracuse University who taught school in Massachusetts for a time before marriage to an oil company executive, Myron “Mike” Belaga. They settled in Westport in 1965.

Her survivors include her son, David; and two daughters, Debra and Heather.

Funeral plans were incomplete. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the family expects to postpone a celebration of her life until the spring.

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sibility taking over that job.”

Quick acceptance wasn’t a sure thing for Dunaway with the memory of Steele still fresh and dissatisfaction among some viewers about a move by WTIC to talk radio.

“Connecticut-ites weren’t necessarily going to make that easy,” recalled Gary Zenobi, then general manager of WTIC, who hired Dunaway. “But he filled Bob Steele’s shoes in a different way. Formats were changing. Ray was just perfect for that because he could hold a conversation not just about anything but with anyone.”

Dunaway’s arrival also coincided with rapid changes in AM radio. WTIC’s daytime music listeners were moving to FM radio, leaving AM stations like WTIC to carve out a different niche, which turned out to be talk radio.

Dunaway’s popularity with listeners survived four ownership changes at WTIC and a relocation from One Financial Plaza, the “Gold Building” in downtown Hartford, to Farmington in the early 2000s.

The tone of talk radio has turned more contentious and far less civil since Dunaway joined WTIC.

“It is polarizing, no doubt, but the good ones try to make it as fair as they possibly can,” Dunaway said. “You can have your point of view. There’s nothing wrong with that, and you are able to share it.”

Dunaway said he worked earlier in his career with conservative commentator Rush Limbaugh, who died in February. Dunaway said he considered Limbaugh someone who thought things through before expressing his opinions. Limbaugh would also become part of the weekday lineup on WTIC.

Dunaway said there now is pressure to mix it up whether it be on radio or television.

“The whole thing is fight-sell,”



Radio personality Ray Dunaway puts his feet up after concluding a broadcast of the morning show he has hosted since 1992. MARK MIRKO/HARTFORD COURANT

Dunaway said. “People like fights. It doesn’t help anything. [Conservative intellectual] William F. Buckley wouldn’t have survived today.”

Dunaway said he has strived to keep the morning show on the lighter side.

One of this favorite interviews came in 1994 when then-First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton came on the air to push her husband’s plan for health care reform.

Clinton jolted local listeners with the frank assessment that the plan might cost some jobs — paper-pushing jobs, as she called them — in Hartford. Some of those jobs, Dunaway said, were in buildings he could see from his studio on the 19th floor of the Gold Building.

Dunaway, according to a report in The Courant, observed the government didn’t have a great track record of containing costs,

asking, “How can we trust you this time?”

Return to Hartford

When Dunaway arrived in downtown Hartford in 1992, he found a city changed vastly in appearance from when he attended Trinity two decades earlier. The 1980s building boom had given rise to skyscrapers like CityPlace and Goodwin Square.

But the early 1990s also was marked by economic recession and a bad after-taste from the Colonial Realty Co. collapse that cost “Mom & Pop” investors their life savings in a bigger-than-life fraud scheme.

Dunaway said the election of Hartford Mayor Michael P. Peters, the wisecracking firefighter, in 1993, started to turn things around. The two quickly became good friends and often ran

into each other at the old Chuck’s steakhouse in downtown Hartford. Peters, who died in 2009, was a frequent guest on Dunaway’s show.

“Mike Peters got things done. ... He had no real political power, but through the force of his personality managed to get things done,” Dunaway said. “He changed the attitude, let’s put it that way.”

That set the stage for big-ticket Hartford investments like the Connecticut Convention Center, Front Street — and more recently, the addition of thousands of apartments downtown, Dunaway said.

Dunaway started in radio at age 17 on a Topeka, Kansas, station before attending Trinity. It was at this station where Dunaway — born Goldsich — would get his professional name.

“I wanted be J. Michael Wilson or Ray Michael Wilson,” Dunaway said. “The guy at the station said,

‘Nah, I don’t like that name. Let’s find another one.’ So, he got the phone book and he said, ‘Ray Rodriguez?’ How about Ray Dunaway?’ I said, ‘Sure.’ I wanted the job.”

Later, Dunaway worked in Detroit, Dallas and Los Angeles before spending 15 years at KMBZ-AM in Kansas City, Missouri, as morning show host.

In Greater Hartford, Dunaway’s popularity has drawn attention to philanthropic causes, one of the largest being the annual Salvation Army Holiday Store. Dunaway got involved soon after arriving in Hartford, broadcasting his shows daily from holiday-store locations each December.

The holiday store first started on Pratt Street in downtown Hartford and later moved to Avon and Glastonbury.

Salvation Army Major Migdalia Lavenbein, area coordinator for Greater Hartford, said the holiday store has raised millions since Dunaway became involved.

“Even beyond the money, he has helped transform lives; we’re not just talking about toys and food and monetary gifts,” Lavenbein said. “He has been in the business of helping people who were at the bottom. They’ve hit rock bottom, and he’s helped lift people up and place them in a position where they have hope. You can’t say that about everyone.”

Dunaway’s last day at WTIC will be when the holiday store wraps up for the season on Christmas Eve.

And after that? Well, Dunaway said he has to figure out what retirement will be. He plans to stay in the area but do some traveling — and read. “I love to read,” he said.

One thing he is absolutely sure about, though is this: “I just don’t want to see another sunrise,” Dunaway said, quickly adding, “Now don’t take that the wrong way.”

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opening night speeches have made exceptions, eliciting not just cheers but happiness at the concept of warm human interactions inside theaters again.

Before going in

Before each Bushnell performance several long tables are set up at both entrances to the courtyard. There, ticketholders line up to show their proof of vaccination (or a recent negative COVID-19 test) and an ID. Then they’re given a plastic wristband — different colors on different nights, so it’s difficult to cheat the system — at which point they can walk through the courtyard and into The Bushnell building, where the next gauntlet, a metal detector and a ticket-scanning machine, await.

The outdoor wait has not been long, but it remains to be seen how popular they’ll be when the temperatures drop in wintertime.

A table setup similar to The Bushnell’s awaits outside the Goodspeed Opera House, which did two summer seasons of outdoor concerts and readings of new musicals in the theater’s parking lot before being able

to reopen the opera house for “A Grand Night for Singing” in September. For “The Chinese Lady” at the Long Wharf in New Haven, there was a table in the parking lot down the outside stairs from the theater (which is situated among food truck loading docks), while the vaccination proof card process was rather casually handled by someone at the door of the theater.

Policies and policing

The Westport Country Playhouse made headlines in July when it announced that it would be asking audiences for proof of vaccination when it staged the religious drama “Doubt” in November. All the regional theaters in the state followed suit, and regional theaters nationwide made an informal pact to be unified in setting and enforcing the policies. Connecticut performing arts centers, some of whom formed a still-active alliance during the COVID-19 shutdown, also agreed to uniform regulations.

The city of Hartford lifted its mask mandate earlier this month. That doesn’t mean Hartford theaters will lift theirs. The theaters have found that audience members seem to prefer that

precaution. They also don’t just answer to the city: unions, including the theater union Equity, have their own strict regulations with which theaters must comply to host professional shows.

One of the obvious concerns when theaters reopened with a slew of new regulations was that they might be difficult to enforce. Theater ushers, who manage most of the small disruptions in the auditorium during a performance, are volunteer workers at most venues and, according to some theater leaders, had expressed concerns about their responsibilities being increased.

Yet audiences at performing arts centers and regional theaters have become skilled at self-policing over the years. Incidents like using a cellphone or chatting during a performance seldom rise to the level of usher intervention because they’re usually quickly resolved by theatergoers.

There’s also the power of the majority. If you don’t wear a mask at a theater, you stand out. Chances are, the offender is not there to cause a scene; like everyone else, they are there to see a show they paid for. In a few cases, ushers at The Bushnell and elsewhere have been seen telling individual theatergoers to put on, or adjust, their masks.

Signs telling everyone to wear a mask can be found on the doors of every theater. At The Bushnell, ushers wave paddle-shaped “Please wear your mask” signs before each performance, and at intermissions. There are also reminders in the spoken pre-show announcements. At the opening concert of the Hartford Symphony Orchestra MasterWorks series in The Bushnell’s smaller Belding Theater, one of the pieces required a giant projection screen, which the theater used as an additional, gigantic “wear your mask” sign.

The theater bar scene

The bar or café in the lobby is integral to theatergoing for many people. When The Bushnell first reopened in September, the small café in its box office area was closed. It’s been open for weeks now. The bar counters in the theater’s lobbies are bustling.

The Bushnell, Hartford Stage and other theaters that once let people bring drinks and food inside the theater now insist that you consume those items in the lobby. At Hartford Stage, this can be an almost meaningless distinction in the upstairs bar area, since that lobby abuts the back of the

auditorium and people typically rest plates and drinks on the railing there. But people seem to get the message: You don’t see as many cups underfoot at the seats.

Trust your patrons

In conversations with The Courant, several theater leaders agreed with the thesis that theaters shifted from cautious trepidation about letting people back into the theater to the realization that they can trust their audiences. In the case of regional theaters, a large portion of the audience are long-term subscribers; the theaters know them by name, know where they sit and know how they tend to behave.

It is harder for music clubs and arenas to have the same confidence, for a variety of reasons including the lack of a subscriber base, the size of the venues and whether there’s a lot physical activity in the crowd and the nature of the entertainment.

In most cases, live theater is back, feeling stronger every performance, and continually expressing concern for the safety of the audience.

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GOP shifting debate in virus fight

Some states push natural immunity instead of shots

By Anthony Izaguirre
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Republicans fighting President Joe Biden’s coronavirus vaccine mandates are wielding a new weapon against the White House rules: natural immunity. They contend that people who have recovered from the virus have enough immunity and antibodies to not need COVID-19 vaccines, and the concept has been invoked by Republicans as a sort of stand-in for vaccines.

Florida wrote natural immunity into state law last week as GOP lawmakers elsewhere are pushing similar measures to sidestep vaccine mandates. Lawsuits over the mandates have also begun leaning on the idea. Conservative federal lawmakers have implored regulators to consider it when formulating mandates.

Scientists acknowledge that people previously infected with COVID-19 have some level of immunity but that vaccines offer a more consistent level of protection. Natural immunity is also far from a one-size-fits-all scenario, making it complicated to enact sweeping exemptions to vaccines.

That’s because how much immunity COVID-19 survivors have depends on how long ago they were infected, how sick they were, and if the virus variant they had is different from mutants circulating now. For example, a person who had a



Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, a Republican, has been a chief critic of virus rules during the pandemic. CHRIS O’MEARA/AP

minor case one year ago is much different than a person who had a severe case over the summer when the delta variant was raging through the country. It’s also difficult to reliably test whether someone is protected from future infections.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported in August that COVID-19 survivors who ignored advice to get vaccinated were more than twice as likely to get infected again. A more recent study from the CDC, looking at data from nearly 190 hospitals in nine states, determined that unvaccinated people who had been infected months

earlier were five times more likely to get COVID-19 than fully vaccinated people who didn’t have a prior infection.

“Infection with this virus, if you survive, you do have some level of protection against getting infected in the future and particularly against getting serious infection in the future,” said Dr. David Dowdy of Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. “It’s important to note though that even those who have been infected in the past get additional protection from being vaccinated.”

Studies also show that COVID-19 survivors who get vaccinated develop extra-

strong protection, what’s called “hybrid immunity.” When previously infected person gets a coronavirus vaccine, the shot acts like a booster and revs virus-fighting antibodies to high levels. The combination also strengthens another defensive layer of the immune system, helping create new antibodies that are more likely to withstand future variants.

The immunity debate comes as the country is experiencing another surge in infections and hospitalizations and 60 million people remain unvaccinated in a pandemic that has killed more than 770,000

Americans. Biden is hoping more people will get vaccinated because of workplace mandates set to take effect in January but which face many court challenges.

And many Republicans eager to buck Biden have embraced the argument that immunity from earlier infections should be enough to earn an exemption from the mandates.

“We recognize, unlike what you see going on with the federal proposed mandates and other states, we’re actually doing a science-based approach. For example, we recognize people that have natural immunity,” Florida Gov.

Ron DeSantis, a Republican who has been a chief critic of virus rules, said last week.

The new Florida law forces private businesses to let workers opt out of COVID-19 mandates if they can prove immunity through a prior infection, as well as exemptions based on medical reasons, religious beliefs, regular testing or an agreement to wear protective gear. The state health department, which is led by Surgeon General Dr. Joseph Ladapo, who opposes mandates, will have authority to define exemption standards.

The Republican-led New Hampshire Legislature plans to take up a similar measure when it meets in January. Lawmakers in Idaho and Wyoming, both statehouses under GOP control, recently debated similar measures but did not pass them. In Utah, a newly signed law creating exemptions from Biden’s vaccine mandates for private employers allows people to duck the requirement if they have already had COVID-19.

Some politicians use the science behind natural immunity to advance narratives suggesting vaccines aren’t the best way to end the pandemic.

“I’m not willing to give blind faith to the pharmaceutical narrative,” said Idaho GOP Rep. Greg Ferch.

Sen. Roger Marshall, a Kansas Republican and physician, along with 14 other GOP doctors, dentists and pharmacists in Congress, sent a letter in September to the CDC, urging the agency, when setting vaccination policies, to consider natural immunity.

Battle brews over cap on drug prices in Biden’s bill

Business groups are locked in a lobbying battle over provision

By Ricardo Alonso-Zaldivar
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Workers and families with private health insurance would reap savings on prescription drugs from a little-noticed provision in President Joe Biden’s sweeping social agenda bill. It’s meant to break the cycle of annual price increases for widely used medicines.

That provision would require drug companies to pay rebates to Medicare if they increase prices above the rate of inflation. Drugs sold to private plans would count in calculating the penalty, like a tax on price increases. The issue is dividing business groups in a fierce lobbying battle.

Corporate groups focused on affordable employee benefits want to keep the language as is so it would provide price-increase protection for companies and their workers and not just Medicare enrollees. Other groups, such as the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, are backing the pharmaceutical industry’s drive to block

restraints on pricing, including inflation caps, saying they would stifle innovation.

House Democrats passed the roughly \$2 trillion social agenda legislation on Friday and sent it to the Senate. The bill resets national priorities on issues from climate to family life and faces more scrutiny in that evenly divided chamber. Prescription drugs are but one component, and most of the attention has focused on Medicare provisions to slash out-of-pocket costs for seniors and allow the program to negotiate prices for a limited number of medicines.

But the inflation caps would have far-reaching impact for as many as 180 million Americans with private insurance.

“A lot of people don’t realize that the bill applies to, and will help, privately insured people,” said Shawn Gremminger, health policy director at the Purchaser Business Group on Health. “But that isn’t a sure thing. As currently structured, that would be the case. But we have been worried and continue to be worried that will change.” His coalition represents nearly 40 large employers that cover more than 15 million workers, retirees and their families.

Polls show that Americans across the political spectrum overwhelmingly favor government action to reduce drug prices. The chief cost complaints are: high out-of-pocket costs for patients, high and rising list prices, and high launch prices for new medicines. The Biden package would tackle the first two issues, but Democrats were unable to agree on authorizing Medicare to negotiate prices of new drugs.

Annual price increases for established prescription drugs usually outpace inflation, although there have been periods of moderation in recent years.

Gremminger said his group estimates that the privately insured market could save \$250 billion over 10 years under the inflation caps currently in the bill.

The main drug industry lobbying group, the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, says inflation rebates would undermine innovation that continues after medicines are approved. The generic drug industry wants their products exempted. Dan Leonard, president of the generic lobbying group Association for Accessible Medicines, said he fears his members will be penal-



Workers and families with private health insurance would reap savings on prescription drugs from a provision in President Joe Biden’s social agenda bill. ELISE AMENDOLA/AP 2018

ized for price increases that amount to pennies on the dollar. “When generics are not exempted ... they’ll get caught up in the jet wash,” he said.

In the Senate, Finance Committee Chairman Ron Wyden, D-Ore., who has taken a lead role on prescription drugs, supports keeping the inflation caps for privately insured people.

Opponents could pursue a parliamentary challenge under Senate rules, arguing that penalizing price increases by one private

company on another has no bearing on federal budgetary issues. If the challenge succeeds, costs to private insurance plans would be stripped from the inflation rebates. Supporters of the caps say they do have a budgetary purpose because they would raise revenue and generate savings for Medicare.

Katie Mahoney, the top health policy expert for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, said her organization has “very real concerns” that the drug pricing provisions

would undermine incentives for the industry to develop new medicines, and is pressing that point in the Senate.

“We continue to hammer on the damage that such policies would do,” she said. “We feel that message is making headway with senators and with some members of Congress.”

Asked about other business groups that are supporting inflation caps, Mahoney said they don’t reflect private enterprise generally.



Police investigate the scene of a crash Sunday at a parade in Waukesha, Wis. MIKE DE SISTI/MILWAUKEE JOURNAL-SENTINEL

Police: ‘Some’ deaths as SUV plows into parade

Associated Press

WAUKESHA, Wis. — An SUV driver sped through a police line and into a parade of Christmas marchers on Sunday, hitting more than 20 adults and children in a horrifying scene captured by the city’s livestream and the cellphones of onlookers.

Waukesha police Chief Dan Thompson said “some” people had been killed but would not give an exact number. A person was in custody, but police gave no

indication of motive.

One video shows a woman screaming, “Oh my God!” repeatedly after a group of girls wearing Santa hats and dancing with white pompoms is struck. Another shows the SUV plowing into members of a marching band, their music replaced with terrified screams.

Fire Chief Steven Howard said 11 adults and 12 children were injured and transported to hospitals by his department.

Police also had custody of

the vehicle, Thompson said.

As the SUV broke through barricades, a Waukesha police officer fired his gun in an attempt to stop the vehicle, Thompson said.

No bystanders were injured from the shots, he said.

One video shows the moment the SUV broke through the barricades and the sound of what appears to be several gun shots.

The video taken when the pompom dancers got struck ends with a group of people

tending to one of the girls who is lying on the ground.

Corey Montiho, a Waukesha school district board member, told the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel that his daughter’s dance team was hit by the SUV.

“They were pompoms and shoes and spilled hot chocolate everywhere. I had to go from one crumpled body to the other to find my daughter,” he said. “My wife and two daughters were almost hit. Please pray for everybody. Please pray.”

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NEWS BRIEFING

US missionaries say 2 of 17 abducted in Haiti in October now free

From news services

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Two of 17 members of a missionary group who were kidnapped more than a month ago have been freed in Haiti and are safe, “in good spirits and being cared for,” their Ohio-based church organization announced Sunday.

Christian Aid Ministries issued a statement saying it could not give the names of those released, why they were freed or other information.

“While we rejoice at this release, our hearts are with the 15 people who are still being held,” the group said.

The missionaries were kidnapped by the 400 Mawozo gang on Oct. 16. There are five children in the group of 16 U.S. citizens and one Canadian, including an 8-month-old. Their Haitian driver also was abducted, according to a local human rights organization.

The leader of the 400 Mawozo gang has threatened to kill the hostages unless his demands are met. Authorities have said the gang was demanding \$1 million per person, although it wasn’t immediately clear that included the children in the group.

The release comes as Haiti struggles with a spike in gang-related violence and kidnappings, with the U.S. government recently urging U.S. citizens to leave Haiti amid deepening insecurity and a severe lack of fuel blamed on gangs blocking gas distribution terminals. On Friday, Canada announced it was pulling all but essential personnel from its embassy.

The fuel shortage has forced hospitals to turn away patients and paralyzed public transportation, with some schools closing and businesses shortening their

work hours.

Haiti also is trying to recover from the July 7 assassination of President Jovenel Moise and a 7.2 magnitude earthquake that struck in mid-August, killing more than 2,200 people and destroying tens of thousands of homes.

Sudan leader: Sudan’s deposed prime minister signed a deal with the military on Sunday that will see him reinstated, almost a month after a military coup put him under house arrest.

The deal, announced in a ceremony broadcast live on Sudan state TV, envisages an independent technocratic Cabinet to be led by Abdalla Hamdok until elections can be held. It remains unclear how much power the government would hold. It would still remain under military oversight.

It also remains unclear whether any political parties or pro-democracy groups have signed off on the agreement.

The deal expects the military to release government officials and politicians arrested since the Oct. 25 coup.

The coup, more than two years after a popular uprising forced the removal of longtime autocrat Omar al-Bashir and his Islamist government, has drawn international criticism.

The agreement comes just days after doctors said at least 15 people were killed by live fire during anti-coup demonstrations.

The Sudanese Professionals’ Association, a group that played a key role in the uprising against Bashir, voiced their vehement opposition to the agreement, accusing Hamdok of committing “political suicide.”

Venezuela elections: Venezuela’s electoral system was



Lockdown looming: A woman walks near a camp set up by people opposing COVID-19 regulations Sunday in Vienna, Austria. The government announced a nationwide lockdown set to start Monday and that comes as average daily deaths have tripled in recent weeks and as hospitals in some states have warned their intensive care units are near capacity. **VADIM GHIRDA/AP**

being put to the test Sunday, with millions of people casting ballots for thousands of races — the first in four years with major opposition participation following a series of boycotts over unfair conditions.

The contest was being observed by more than 130 international monitors, mostly from the European Union, satisfying a longstanding demand of the opponents of President Nicolás Maduro.

Main opposition parties agreed to participate after the government promised measures to build confidence during now-suspended negotiations between the ruling party and adversaries.

More than 21 million Venezuelans are eligible to vote in over 3,000 contests, including for 23 governors and 335 mayors positions. More than 70,000 candidates entered the races.

Calif. coordinated thefts: About 80 people, some wearing ski masks and wielding crowbars, ransacked a

high-end department store in the San Francisco Bay Area, assaulting employees and stealing merchandise before fleeing in cars waiting outside, police and witnesses said.

Three people were arrested while the majority got away after the large-scale theft Saturday night shocked shoppers at the Nordstrom at the Broadway Plaza outdoor mall in Walnut Creek, police said in a statement Sunday.

Two employees were assaulted and one was hit with pepper spray during what police called “clearly a planned event.”

NBC Bay Area reporter Jodi Hernandez tweeted that she saw the thieves rush into the store in the downtown shopping district northeast of San Francisco.

“About 25 cars just blocked the street and rushed into the Walnut Creek Nordstrom making off with goods before getting in cars and speeding away,” Hernandez said on Twitter.

Cellphone video from

the scene showed masked people streaming out of the store, carrying bags and boxes, jumping into the cars and fleeing the scene.

The incident came a day after several high-end stores in San Francisco’s Union Square were broken into by a large group of people who smashed windows, stole merchandise, and then ran to waiting cars, police said.

Bulgaria elections: Exit polls in Bulgaria suggest that incumbent Rumen Radev is the apparent winner in the country’s presidential runoff.

Surveys by several polling organizations give Radev, 58, about 65% of the vote. He is seeking a second five-year term in the largely ceremonial post.

Sofia University rector, Atanas Gerdzhikov, 58, who was backed by the center-right GERB party of former Prime Minister Boyko Borissov, is said to be trailing with 32% support. Some 3% voted against both candidates.

Radev, a vocal critic of

Borissov and firm supporter of last year’s anti-corruption protests, has attracted many Bulgarians who are fed up with politicians they see as corrupt.

Hundreds of thousands of people turned out last year to protest when GERB was the ruling party, complaining about official corruption in the Black Sea nation of 7 million.

Rhodes scholars: The class of U.S. Rhodes scholars for 2022 includes the largest number of women ever selected for the scholarship in one year, the Rhodes Trust announced Sunday.

Of the 32 students chosen to study at the University of Oxford in England, 22 are women, the office of the American secretary of the trust said in a statement.

The selection process was completed virtually for the second year in a row due to the coronavirus pandemic.

All 32 scholars were expected to start at Oxford in October. The scholarship covers expenses.

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It's turning street drugs to 'poison'

Addition of opioid fentanyl has ODs ballooning in US

By Sarah Maslin Nir
The New York Times

Dark heroin cut with so much white powdered fentanyl that it's known on the street as "gray." Cocaine laced so frequently with fentanyl that club DJs stock anti-overdose medication. Fake prescription pain pills that are in fact all fentanyl. The synthetic opioid fentanyl, a legal prescription pain medication, is now a black market commodity blasting through the street drug marketplace. Cheap and up to 100 times more powerful than naturally derived opioids, it is also lethal.

Behind the trend is a growing body count: In the 12-month period that ended in April, more than 100,000 Americans, a record number, died from overdoses, according to preliminary data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The majority of the deaths were linked to synthetic opioids.

While the mounting deaths show the devastating consequence of fentanyl's seep, it is less widely understood why the drug has mushroomed. And why so many illicit products now contain it.

The spread of fentanyl has been stealthy, steady and deadly, according to interviews with nine people involved in the sale of illegal drugs in New York, where much of the country's fentanyl enters the street market, as well as law enforcement and addiction experts. The identities and backgrounds of the nine people were confirmed by The New York Times through their criminal records, lawyers and addiction counselors.

People who intermittently use stimulants like cocaine, for example, have low



Fentanyl and methamphetamine seized by U.S. officials in Nogales, Arizona. Fentanyl is the third wave of an opioid epidemic that began in the 1990s with prescription pills, followed by an explosion in heroin use. MAMTA POPAT/ARIZONA DAILY STAR 2019

tolerances for such powerful synthetic opioids, said Dr. Chinazo Cunningham, executive deputy commissioner of the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

In 2015, just 17 of the city's overdose deaths involved cocaine and fentanyl, without heroin; that number rose to 183 in 2019, the last year for which data was available, according to the Health Department.

"These are no longer street drugs," said John Tavolacci, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Odyssey House, a drug rehabilitation center in New York City. "This is poison."

Fentanyl is the third wave of an opioid epidemic that began in the 1990s with prescription pills, followed by exploding heroin use.

Now communities are struggling under an onslaught of fentanyl. The reasons are multilayered:

As pharmaceutical companies have tightened the tap on prescription pain pills following a raft of legal losses for their role in causing the opioid epidemic, the pills have become scarce on the black market. Addicts have turned to fentanyl for their fix.

To profit off the situation, cartels and small-time manufacturers have flooded in caches of imitation pills — fentanyl tablets mimicking prescription brands. In September, the Drug Enforcement Administration issued a public safety alert: More than 40% of black-market prescription pills contain lethal amounts of fentanyl.

"Like a wolf in sheep's clothing, these pills are lethal," Ray Donovan, the DEA's special agent in charge of the New York division, said in a statement.

As borders were closed to thwart the coronavirus pandemic, cartels created

stockpiles, leading to a spike, said Bridget Brennan, New York City's special narcotics prosecutor.

At the same time, several drug dealers said in interviews, domestic dealers turned to fentanyl as a cheap way to bulk out thin wares.

As lockdowns lifted and border crossings began to normalize, fentanyl flooded in. In just the first six months of 2021, the special prosecutor's office confiscated more than in any previous year.

Since 2018, fentanyl seizures by the New York DEA have tripled, as confiscated heroin fell by more than half. The drug agency in New York says it has taken more than 2,400 pounds, of fentanyl off the street so far in 2021, compared with almost 957 pounds of heroin.

Fentanyl was first synthesized in 1959 as a substitute for morphine. The synthetic opioid is prescribed to treat pain, including in cancer patients. It is often admin-

istered in a patch; abusers figured out how to chew or smoke the patches or adhere strips of them to their gums.

Today the drug is far simpler to obtain. Fentanyl is primarily manufactured in China, which sends it or the raw ingredients, called precursors, on cargo ships to Mexico, where it is finished by cartels, according to Ben Westhoff, the author of "Fentanyl, Inc. How Rogue Chemists Created the Deadliest Wave of the Opioid Epidemic." It is widely available on the "dark web," an untraceable online network, and shipped in the mail.

Fentanyl's spread has been pushed by the profit imperative, according to interviews with dealers: On each leg of the journey of a drug like heroin or cocaine, from cartel to end user, sellers often cut the pure product with cheap powders that are similar in appearance, a process known as "stepping on" the drug.

Once it was things like baby formula; today, it is likely to be fentanyl.

There is no quality control: A street dealer might cut fentanyl into cocaine that already contains it, creating a lethal dose.

In interviews, dealers described lacing as completely ad hoc.

One said she measured out fentanyl with a McDonald's ice cream spoon, leveled with a playing card. More than one dealer did not measure at all, spritzing liquid fentanyl onto baking sheets of marijuana, creating a once-rare concoction that some dealers say is increasingly requested.

Anna, a 31-year-old from Brooklyn, was first introduced to fentanyl three years ago while working in a drug mill in Crown Heights, scooping the chemical mixture into glassine envelopes of heroin.

Soon, straight fentanyl became her drug of choice. It was powerful — just three baggies replaced her nine daily of heroin — but above all, lab-made fentanyl costs a fraction of the price of natural opiates, which are derived from poppies.

"I knew it was so dangerous," said Anna, who said she overdosed twice and was revived with Narcan, an anti-overdose medication. "But I didn't care. It was so cheap."

She is now in inpatient addiction recovery.

When Swainson Brown, 40, a beloved chef at a restaurant on the eastern end of Long Island, consumed cocaine in August, authorities said he had no idea it was laced with fentanyl.

Brown was among six people in the community killed in a three-day span by the drug.

"He did not want to die," said Glenn Petry, Brown's friend and employer. "That was without question the farthest thing that he imagined would happen to him that night."



Britain's Health Secretary Sajid Javid, seen giving a speech in October, said the coronavirus pandemic highlighted health disparities along race and gender lines. TOBY MELVILLE/AP

Pandemic prods UK to probe racial bias in medical devices

By Jill Lawless
Associated Press

LONDON — The British government is investigating whether built-in racial bias in some medical devices led to Black and Asian people getting sick and dying disproportionately from COVID-19.

Health Secretary Sajid Javid said Sunday that the pandemic had highlighted health disparities along race and gender lines. He said a third of intensive care admissions in Britain at the height of the pandemic were people from Black and ethnic minority backgrounds, more than double their share of the population.

Britain's statistics office has found that in the first year of the pandemic, up to March 2021, Black and South Asian people in the U.K. had higher death rates than their white compatriots, even after factors like occupation and underlying health conditions were taken into account.

Javid said one issue was research showing that pulse oximeters, which measure blood oxygen levels through the skin, work less well on

darker skin. He called it a "systemic" worldwide issue.

"I'm not saying this was deliberate by anyone, I think it's just, it's a systemic issue potentially, with medical devices and it may go even further than that with medical textbooks, for example," Javid told Sky News.

Writing in the Sunday Times, he said "the possibility that a bias — even an inadvertent one — could lead to a poorer health outcome is totally unacceptable."

He said he hoped to work with his U.S. counterpart, Health and Human Services Secretary Xavier Becerra, and officials in other countries, to eliminate bias in the health system.

He said a U.K. review, which will also look at gender bias, will report its findings by the end of January.

Britain has recorded more than 143,000 coronavirus deaths, the highest total in Europe after Russia.

Europe is currently the only part of the world where COVID-19 cases are rising, and many countries are reintroducing restrictions to fight the surge.

In the U.K., however,

cases are broadly flat and deaths and hospitalizations are slowly falling. Prime Minister Boris Johnson said recently that he saw no need to move to the government's winter "Plan B," in which people would be required to wear masks indoors and advised to work from home.

Britain had the higher infection rates than its neighbors for several months, and some scientists say that puts the country in a better position now.

Linda Bauld, a professor of public health at the University of Edinburgh, said the U.K. had been dealing with the highly transmissible delta variant longer than its European neighbors, and "because we've had high infections in the past, we've probably a bit more natural immunity in the population." Britain is also now rolling out booster vaccine doses to everyone 40 and older.

Oxford University professor of medicine John Bell said he didn't think the U.K. would face another Christmas lockdown, as it did last year.

"My advice is, order that turkey, because it'll all be fine," he told Times Radio.

Biden's weak political standing fuels Dems' worry about 2024

By Steve Peoples
Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — It was supposed to be a moment of triumph for Joe Biden.

The Democratic president had just signed into law the most significant infrastructure package in generations. And he had done it by bringing Democrats and Republicans together, just as he promised during last year's campaign. But when Biden arrived in New Hampshire last week to promote the \$1 trillion package at the foot of a crumbling bridge, not all of his VIP guests were in the mood to celebrate.

"Democrats are concerned," former state House Speaker Steve Shurtleff, a longtime Biden supporter who attended the ceremony, told The Associated Press when asked about Biden's political standing. "I'm concerned about where we may be in another couple of years when people really start to gear up and start making trips to New Hampshire."

Shurtleff was openly saying what a growing number of Democrats have been whispering for months: Biden's political standing is so weak less than a year into his presidency that he may not be able to win reelection in 2024 if he were to run again.

Vice President Kamala Harris is facing her own political conundrum with polls suggesting she may be less popular than her unpopular boss. A dynamic leader who made history by becoming the first Black woman and first person of South Asian descent to step into her office, Harris has been given few opportunities by the Biden White House to shine.

She delivered her first solo speech to promote the new infrastructure law on Friday in Ohio's capital city, addressing a mostly



President Joe Biden talks to Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi after signing the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act on Nov. 15 at the White House. ALEX WONG/GETTY

empty union hall largely absent of political dignitaries at roughly the same time Biden was issuing the White House's annual turkey pardon in Washington.

As Biden struggles, speculation has intensified about the short list of would-be successors should Biden not seek reelection, although the 79-year-old president has said publicly and privately that he will. The list is led by Harris, but includes other 2020 presidential candidates such as Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg and New Jersey Sen. Cory Booker. Booker recently announced plans to appear at a party fundraiser next month in New Hampshire, which traditionally hosts the nation's first presidential primary election.

The frustrations boiling over now may be long forgotten by the time Biden — or another Democrat — leads the party in the 2024 presidential election. The truth is, no one knows what the standing of Biden or Harris will be next year, never mind in three years. While Biden's approval

ratings are hovering in the low 40s, they are better than Donald Trump's at the same time of his presidency.

Barack Obama also faced headwinds at the end of the first year of his presidency. His party would go on to suffer historic losses in the 2010 midterm elections. But Obama recovered in time to win a second term. Bill Clinton similarly overcame setbacks, including a devastating midterm cycle in 1994, to win reelection in 1996.

Democratic strategist Bill Burton, who worked in the Obama White House, noted that any number of factors could completely upend the political climate, such as Trump's reemergence, a Supreme Court decision ending or dramatically limiting abortion rights, an improving economy and the end of the pandemic.

"There's such a unanimity around the idea that Democrats are completely doomed. These are the same people who brought us President Hillary Clinton," Burton said. "Maybe things aren't as bad as the entire chattering class seems to think they are."

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OP-ED

Climate rhetoric shows how alienated we are from nature

By Giovanni Aloï
Chicago Tribune

Greta Thunberg was not satisfied with COP26. At the end of an epic week that saw world leaders and activists deliver inspirational talks, she called the event a failure. Is she right?

Thunberg said COP26 was a “global north greenwash festival,” and I think she has a point, if you consider the language used by our “global north” politicians. Compare their words to the heartfelt pleas or grounded assessments of those who live where climate change is causing havoc. British Prime Minister Boris Johnson’s naïve reminder that climate change is not a James Bond movie speaks volumes about his lack of firsthand involvement with the problem.

The speeches of “global north” speakers rang hollow. This “blah, blah, blah,” as Johnson called it, is an anachronistic lingo of persuasion that most of us can no longer bear — facades ornate with metaphors and puns that make the spirit soar and distract from the lack of substance.

Events such as COP26 must inspire and motivate, but younger generations can see through this rhetoric. But our politicians don’t seem to care about it. Their rhetoric has made Thunberg a leader. She speaks a language her generation understands — a language of urgency grounded in the politics of the real.

Our politicians endlessly quote figures as facts in hope that evidence might ground their lightweight remarks. But unfortunately, that’s the very thing they are out of touch with — the ground. The ground swamped by rising waters; the ground turning into dust bowl. The words, the sentence structures and the emphatic pauses mercilessly betray their disconnect. But to make matters worse, their rhetoric is the symptom of deep alienation from nature we need to address as urgently as climate change itself.

Johnson’s quasi-steampunk portrayal of the damage inflicted upon the planet is a case in point: “The clock is ticking to the furious rhythm of hundreds of billions of pistons, turbines, furnaces, engines, with which we are pumping carbon into the air, faster and faster, and quilting the earth in an invisible and suffocating blanket of CO2. It’s a fiction that subtly reassesses the power, whether destructive or productive, that only humankind can deploy. The assumption is that we have damaged it and we can fix it. But can we?”

The rhetorical “we,” so frequently used in the COP26 talks, is also problematic. It erases diversity, diffuses blame and preserves privilege. It is no coincidence that some of the most inspirational summit talks were from women of color who live on the front lines. Barbados Prime Minister Mia Mottley delivered a scathing condemnation of the inactivity and failures that have followed previous global



Climate change activist Greta Thunberg takes part in the For Future protest near the COP26 venue at the SEC on Nov. 1 in Glasgow. **CHRISTOPHER FURLONG/TNS**

meetings. Unkept promises, she said, are “measured... on lives and livelihoods in our communities. This is immoral.”

Twenty-six-year-old Kenyan climate activist Elizabeth Wathuti urged world leaders to “open (their) hearts” to the reality of the climate crisis. She warned that decisions made at COP26 in Glasgow will determine if rain returns to fall on her land, or if the trees her regeneration project planted will survive, and if food will be available to Kenyan children. This is the antidote to the “blah, blah, blah.” Plain, simple, direct, human, empathic.

Natural historian David Attenborough was among the few who acknowledged that those who have not caused the problem are the hardest hit. Yet his speech also suffered from the same rhetorical malaise. Humans “are the greatest problem solvers to have ever existed on Earth,” Attenborough said. He then added: “Is this how our story is due to end? A tale of the smartest species doomed by that all too human characteristic of failing to see the bigger picture in pursuit of short-term goals?”

For over two decades, scientists, scholars and artists have understood that reinforcing these unfounded conceptions is very dangerous. The idea that we are the most intelligent species has led us here. So,

can the tools of the master ever dismantle the master’s house?

Our hubris has reduced the natural world to an object to study, a resource to exploit or a recreational pastime. Animals and plants are intelligent in complex ways that we are just beginning to discover and understand. We need to engage in a more radical and long-term reconsideration of our relationship with nature or our efforts will never amount to more than a temporary patch. We need to reeducate ourselves. To understand and value the importance of biodiversity in nature can also teach us to value human diversity. The positive potential at stake is enormous.

Hopefully, we will be able to look back at COP26 as an important step toward a healthier planet. But the path to a more sustainable future is equally important, and it begins by giving up the climate rhetoric. It starts with a new language we need to craft together: a language centered around nature, not us. A language of compassion, accountability and empathy.

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Here’s how Facebook can be held accountable

By Nancy Kim
Los Angeles Times

Facebook has had a rough month, and deservedly so. The company has earned a special place of distrust in the hearts of many: A CNN poll published last week found that 3 out of 4 U.S. adults say Facebook is making American society worse.

In an October Senate hearing, former Facebook employee Frances Haugen made explosive allegations that the company’s own research documented the harms its site inflicts upon users. In other words, Facebook itself allegedly knew that its business harmed others in concrete and preventable ways, like promoting photo sharing that damages the mental health of young people, especially girls. How has Facebook gotten away with it?

Part of the answer lies with Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act, the controversial federal law that essentially gives websites broad protection against liability for content posted by others. The law shields Facebook from the responsibility and liability of a traditional publisher.

Though a newspaper might be sued for libel over a defamatory article, Section 230 protects online platforms from liability for the content they distribute as long as they did not create it. In effect, Facebook has received a federal subsidy in the form of Section 230, which largely protects it from an important form of societal regulation: lawsuits.

Lawsuits bring issues into a public forum for scrutiny and discussion. In the absence of adequate regulation, the public depends upon private citizens to assert their rights and redress wrongs in court. When companies deploy new technology and business models, legislators and regulators are often slow to react. As a result, the legality of these new practices is often litigated — meaning they get debated by attorneys, reported by the news media and discussed by the public.

Social media companies have escaped these lawsuits mostly unscathed. For example, Facebook was sued by a victim of sex trafficking who had connected with her abuser through the site. In June the Texas Supreme Court dismissed most of her claims based on Section 230 immunity. In a different case, family members of victims killed by terrorist attacks sued Twitter, Facebook and Google, alleging that these companies provided material support to terrorist organizations. The 9th Circuit ruled (also in June) that most of the claims were barred by Section 230.

But there are grounds for civil liability lawsuits against Facebook outside the scope of Section 230. While 230 lets social media companies off the hook for harmful content posted by users, Facebook’s internal documents and Haugen’s Senate testimony suggest its business model and products are themselves harmful and addictive.

The “like” button and the endless scrolling feature may have negative consequences for mental and physical health by keeping users glued to their screens, as noted by tech insiders such as Tristan Harris and former Facebook executive Chamath Palihapitiya. The company’s product design also rewards misinformation. When Facebook overhauled its algorithm to increase user engagement, it boosted amplification of divisive and provocative content.

Facebook should further be held liable for misleading public statements about the nature of its products. For example, the company’s statements about the mental health benefits of social apps for young people glaringly omit its own internal research showing that Instagram use makes body image issues worse for 1 in 3 teenage girls.

Facebook’s products and what the company says about them should be fair game for product liability lawsuits. People who suffer physical or emotional harm from those products — especially teenagers and young adults who are particularly vulnerable to the site’s features — should be able to sue the company without getting bogged down by Section 230.

Certainly Section 230 needs to be modified. It is currently written so that courts interpret it too broadly to mean blanket immunity even when the claims against a company are not based on publisher or speaker liability. The law should be updated to clarify that companies are responsible for their business practices and products, a line that could be drawn without upending the important protections for free speech and content moderation that 230 provides.

But legislative reform won’t happen fast, and accountability for Facebook shouldn’t have to wait. In addition to compensating injured victims, lawsuits serve another purpose: They will compel the famously evasive company to disclose more information on what it knows about its own products.

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OP-ED

Progressives have a Republican soulmate in the Senate: Hawley

By George F. Will
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Never have so many in Washington been so eager to expand government’s responsibilities in so many ways. No federal official, however, has an agenda of government enlargement as ambitious and comprehensive as that of Missouri’s freshman Republican senator. Josh Hawley’s bipartisanship invites progressives to share the fun of making government greater than ever.

Regarding current supply chain difficulties, Hawley says (as former presidential candidate Sen. Elizabeth Warren was wont to say) that he has a plan for that. Writing last month in The New York Times, which finds such thinking congenial, Hawley said the federal government should permanently micromanage U.S. trade. Mimicking progressives, who advocate “transformative” policies for this and that, Hawley wants Washington to “fundamentally restructure” trade policy, which he apparently considers dangerously friendly to freedom.

The global trading system powered the astonishing enlargement of post-1945 U.S. prosperity. Hawley, however, believes the system is a “failure” because supply problems have accompanied the pandemic.

He wants government, which is politics straight through, to decide what products are “critical for our national security and essential for the protection of our industrial base,” and to require that they have more than 50% of their value made in America. Imagine the ocean of crony capitalism that would surround decisions about what is “critical” and “essential,” and what implicates “national security” and what counts as the “industrial base.”

When in 2005 a U.S. firm considered buying Danone, the French yogurt manufacturer, the protectionism of the horri-

fied French political class generated jokes about “strategic yogurt.” Are Americans capable of comparable nonsense? Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla., says sugar import quotas, which cost consumers more than \$2 billion a year but enrich some Rubio contributors, are crucial for “food security.”

But don’t worry. Vastly expanded legions of bureaucrats, from the departments of defense, commerce and elsewhere, will make the many thousands of distinctions that Hawley, a selective critic of government’s competence, wants Washington to make.

Hawley’s proposal for a gigantic increase in government’s fine-tuning of the economy comes at a moment when inflation reveals, redundantly, government’s inability to even preserve the currency as a store of value. Hawley can, however, cite a 50-year-old Republican precedent for his plan: His would be the largest infusion of government into the private sector since 1971 — since President Richard Nixon’s shambolic wage and price controls.

Hawley, like many progressives, also advocates social engineering by activist government to solve gender-related problems. He has a plan for protecting American manliness. He sensibly worries that men are working and marrying less, fathering fewer children, and experiencing more anxiety and depression. As a cure, however, he offers his usual passion: radically increased government control of the economy.

While deploring “the victim mindset,” he says that “over the last 30 years and more” men have been victims of free trade. This, he says, has left domestic manufacturing, which he implies is an incubator of manliness, “all but dead.” Well.

For more than 70 years the manufacturing sector’s share of real gross domestic product has varied within a narrow band

— above 11%, below 14%. Granted, manufacturing employment as a percentage of total employment has declined, but largely because the productivity of manufacturing workers has dramatically increased, a development that Hawley, a strange champion of the working man, might regret.

But facts cannot dampen Hawley’s economic determinism, which validates his advocacy of socialism as patriotism and gender rehabilitation. He embraces Theodore Roosevelt’s conception of “business as an adjunct to manhood,” and wants government to — again, he echoes progressivism’s vocabulary of astonishing government competence — “rebuild” the economy so “men can thrive.”

As a presidential candidate, Elizabeth Warren said: “Break up big tech.” Concerning his new book, “The Tyranny of Big Tech,” Hawley, displaying what could be called “the victim mindset,” says: “This is a book the corporate monopolies did not want you to read. Corporate America tried to cancel it, just as they have tried to cancel me.” Hawley has somehow survived, and his book’s message is, of course: Break up big tech.

Big tech is, however, not nearly as big as the government that Hawley wants to wield against companies that have become big by pleasing many scores of millions of Americans. Hawley, like many progressives, thinks Americans need to be protected from the companies by a paternalistic government.

He vaulted to prominence with his Jan. 6 fist-pump showing solidarity with the mob hours before it assaulted the U.S. Capitol. But forgive his hurrying to jump to the head of many parades. In a fellow eighth-grader’s yearbook, young Josh signed himself: “President 2024.”

George Will writes on politics and domestic and foreign affairs for The Washington Post.

OBITUARIES BY TOWN

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Edgar D. Layman

BRISTOL

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OBITUARIES

Layman, Edgar D (Tex)

05/15/1939 - 11/17/2021



Edgar was born in Hereford, Texas to Dalton L. And Oneda (Burns) Layman. Tex attended Levelland High School in Texas. He joined the Air Force in 1958 and was stationed at Bucks Harbor Station in Maine. He met his life-long wife, Charlotte Kelley, a waitress in Helen's Restaurant in Machias. They made a life together in Amston, CT in 1966, with their three children.

He worked at Colt Firearms in Hartford, Two Guys in New London and retired from EB in Groton. Through these work places, he met some of the dearest friends of his life as well as over 40 years in Amston. He loved sports and participated in his childrens softball and baseball as an umpire and coach. He was an active Boy Scout leader for many years. He founded the mens slow pitch softball team, The Amston Lakers"

Tex was a member of the Moose Lodge in Marlborough and loved playing setback with friends. He belonged to the American legion in Hebron until his death.


Tex's main love was the Husky Girls. No matter where he was, he wasn't missing a game.

He was predeceased by his parents, brothers William and Laurence, sister Clara, wife Charlotte, and son Donald. He is survived by his Sister Doneita (Dennis) Russell of OK, Daughters Deborah Gothreau (ME) and Kathleen (Keith) Fields (OH), and three grandchildren.


There are no services planned at this time. Tex will be interred in Jacksonville Cemetery in Maine, beside Charlotte.

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Stanecka, Elzbieta H. (Bielecki)



Elzbieta H. Stanecka, 84, of Bristol, wife of Jerzy Stanecki for 60 years, passed away peacefully on Thursday, November 18, 2021, surrounded by her family. Born in Poland, daughter of the late Tadeusz and Jadwiga (Piwek) Bielecki, she came to the US in 1985. She was a member of St. Stanislaus Church in Bristol, CT. While living in Poland, Ela worked as a draftsman for the confectionary industry. She was a very sought-after calligraphist by many companies, organizations and government agencies. Ela enjoyed crafting, knitting, embroidery and sewing. She loved outdoor activities, in particular gardening and fishing. Classical and opera music were her favorite. She was a gentle soul with a huge heart. Being surrounded by her grandchildren and family pets always put a big smile on her face. Beloved wife, mother, grandmother and sister she is survived by her husband Jerzy of Bristol; her son: Tomasz Stanecki and his wife Dorota of Bristol, CT; her daughter: Ewa Krawiec and her husband Ted of Bristol, CT; her brother: Andrzej Bielecki and his wife Halina of New Britain, CT; her two sisters: Lucyna Galik of Poland and Anna Zurawiecka of England; her grandchildren: Karina, Kordian, Kaja, Matthew and his wife Ola, Tyler, Mark and Charlotte. Relatives and friends are invited to call on Tuesday, November 23, 2021, from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Duksa Family Funeral Homes at Burritt Hill, 332 Burritt St., New Britain. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, November 24, 2021 at 10:00 am at St. Stanislaus Church in Bristol. Please meet the family directly at the church. She will be laid to rest in St. Joseph Cemetery, Bristol, CT. To share a message of sympathy with her family, please visit us at www.duksa.net.




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













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Holiday light displays are ready to shine

Here’s where electric attractions can be found around the area

By Susan Dunne
Hartford Courant

Christmas is the season of lights. Many local light displays are beginning the season in the coming days and weeks. Here is a list of displays in the Hartford area. The list is not all-inclusive.

Holiday Light Fantasia

Holiday Light Fantasia, benefiting Channel 3 Kids’ Camp, is in Goodwin Park, 1106 Maple Ave. in Hartford, Thursday to Sunday

from Thanksgiving Day until Jan. 2 from 5 to 10 p.m. daily. Admission, up to eight people per vehicle, is \$16 online, \$20 at the gate. holiday-lightfantasia.org.

Magic of Lights

Magic of Lights is at Pratt & Whitney Stadium, 615 Silver Lane in East Hartford, from Nov. 19 to Jan. 2 from 5 to 10 p.m. Sunday to Thursday and 5 to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Closed Nov. 27. Tickets per-car are \$30 to \$45 bought in advance, \$40 to \$55 bought on-site. magicoflights.com.

Holiday Lights

Lake Compounce amusement park, 185 Enterprise Drive in Bristol, will feature light shows to holiday music, cookie decorating, gingerbread house making, writing letters to Santa, the North Pole Railway, storytime with Mrs. Claus and photos with Santa. Admission is \$14.99. lakecompounce.com.

Lights in Motion

The Hebron Lions, and Wishes on Wheels, present Lights in

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Lake Compounce amusement park in Bristol will be decorated with lights through December and host other holiday activities. LAKECOMPOUNCE.COM



Some of Oakridge Dairy’s herd of 3,000 cows. An anaerobic digester being built at the Ellington farm will capture raw methane and other greenhouse gases produced by manure and turn biogas into commercial-grade renewable natural gas. OAKRIDGE DAIRY/COURTESY

Audit finds principal misused state email

Lax oversight cited in incidents at technical school in Danielson

By Don Stacom
Hartford Courant

Blaming lax oversight, auditors said a technical school principal in eastern Connecticut conducted private business on his state email account, forwarded a confidential email to a former employee and was filmed taking a state-owned masonry saw home for his own use.

The incidents were discovered after state auditors received a complaint of a hostile work environment at the Harvard H. Ellis Technical High School in Danielson. The complaint also alleged the principal — who has since retired — was misusing state equipment.

An investigation disclosed a series of policy violations across Connecticut’s technical school system that state education officials apparently didn’t know about, including a failure to inventory property that left nearly \$90,000 worth of equipment unaccounted for.

Possibly the auditors’ biggest criticism was directed at how the State Department of Education failed to track complaints and investigations.

“We requested a listing of complaints from the SDE human resources unit, but SDE informed us that the unit does not log complaints or have complaint investigation procedures. We question whether CTECS (the Connecticut Technical Education and Career System) properly investigated these matters, as there was no evidence to substantiate or dispute the claim,” the

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Dollars from scents

State’s largest dairy farm taps into energy markets with plentiful supply of manure

By Stephen Singer
Hartford Courant

ELLINGTON — It’s a common farm odor, but for Connecticut’s largest dairy operator, cow manure is the smell of money.

In the complicated business of energy markets, manure produced from a herd of 3,000 cows at Oakridge Dairy in Ellington will be transformed into gas sold in New Jersey.

Oakridge and its partner, South

Jersey Industries, broke ground recently on an anaerobic digester that will capture raw methane and other greenhouse gases produced by manure. In the process, bacteria break down organic matter such as animal manure, wastewater and food wastes in the absence of oxygen.

The \$12 million project, which is set to begin operating next September, will turn biogas into commercial-grade renewable natural gas added to the distri-

bution system of Elizabethtown Gas, a subsidiary of the Folsom, N.J., company, and its 300,000 customers.

Founded in 1890 and in its fifth generation, Oakridge will welcome the new source of revenue to defray high taxes and rising costs for energy and labor, Chief Executive Officer Seth Bahler said. Local milk markets were once dominant, but Oakridge now competes in global markets, he said.

“We have to produce it more cheaply, and Connecticut is not cheap,” he said.

Oakridge will not be lacking the raw material fed into the digester. A cow eats 100 pounds of food a day and produces 15 gallons of manure, Bahler said. Oakridge Dairy will still have plenty left to fertilize its 3,000 acres, he said.

For South Jersey Industries Inc., the Oakridge project will be the

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For unique gifts, shop small at holiday craft fairs

By Susan Dunne
Hartford Courant

Holiday shopping season is beginning, and as the new saying goes, if it’s made locally, it’s not stuck on a cargo ship.

Every year, small business people and independent artisans and crafters urge shoppers to shop small and avoid the big stores. This year, that plea takes on a new dimension, as

seaports are clogged with ships full of things that should be filling the shelves in those big stores.

Creative people throughout Connecticut are stepping up and participating in dozens of holiday craft markets, fairs and pop-up events to offer unique gifts that can’t be found in chain stores.

Here is a list of Hartford-area holiday markets from now through New Year’s. The list is not all-inclusive.

Through Dec. 4

West Hartford Art League, 37 Buena Vista Road, will hold craft markets in its Clubhouse Gallery Nov. 26 and 27 and Dec. 3 and 4, on Fridays from 6 to 8 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Different crafters will be exhibiting each weekend. westhartfordart.org/current-exhibitions.

Through Dec. 11

South Windsor Parks and Recreation Department presents a Winter Farmers Market at Wapping Parks and Recreation Facility, 91 Ayers Road, on Dec. 4 and 11 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Farmers and bakers will be joined by crafters, artists, pet supply makers and a CBD firm. facebook.com/SWPRD.

Through Dec. 18

Holiday Pop Up/Support Local Artists is at Gallery on the Green on the town green in Canton through Dec. 18. All artworks — including paintings, drawings, graphic arts, sculpture, ceramics, fiber/beadwork and photography — are \$200 or less. Hours are

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first in a portfolio of dairy farms to break ground in its partnership with REV LNG, a renewable energy project development and mobile energy services company.

SJI has other investment opportunities in Michigan and elsewhere, said Dominick DiRocco, vice president of external affairs. The gas produced at Oakridge will be liquefied and transported by truck to customers in New Jersey.

“There aren’t many dairy farms in New Jersey,” DiRocco said. “There aren’t enough dairy cows to produce gas.”

Agriculture accounted for 10% of greenhouse gas emissions in 2019, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The emissions are from livestock such as cows, agricultural soils and rice production.

Some environmentalists advocate for zero-emissions electricity from sources such as wind and solar as a better choice over methane transported through pipes and into homes. Methane leaks and the end product, burning

gas, have a greater environmental impact.

Still, it produces much less greenhouse gas “than if you threw manure into a lagoon,” said Matthew Freund, a co-owner of Freund’s Farm in East Canaan.

Freund’s operates one of the earlier digesters, dating to 1997, he said. It’s a septic tank heated to the body temperature of a cow to replicate a stomach compartment and collect gas used to provide electricity for farm offices, a house, water and the digester.

Fort Hill Farms, a Thompson dairy farm, uses cow manure and restaurant waste to generate electricity sold to Middletown and New Britain. Part of a state program authorized in 2014, electricity production is initially used to reduce a farm’s electric consumption, with surplus electricity used to reduce someone else’s electric bill.

Kies Orr, a member of the fourth generation owners of Fort Hill Farms, said her father, who died in 2018, began planning an anaerobic digester about five years ago.

“My father asked how we can be sustainable and

diversify to keep us alive,” she said.

More farmers in Connecticut’s small agriculture sector are showing interest in generating revenue by turning cow manure into energy. Although it’s sizable, at \$4 billion a year, agriculture is a small part of the state’s nearly \$295 billion economy.

Agriculture Commissioner Bryan Hurlburt said a few other digester projects are in discussions, and state legislation enacted this year streamlined the process for issuing permits.

Efforts behind the planning for the anaerobic digester at Oakridge took five years, much of it in negotiations with the state environmental officials said Foster, an Ellington Democrat.

Looking to require only a single permit, lawmakers this year enacted legislation to accelerate the permitting process. Rules related to hazardous waste and air pollution had previously taken the most time to win state approval, Foster said.

The number of farms in the United States with manure-based anaerobic digestion systems is small: 317 that reduce

methane emissions by collecting biogas from the degradation of animal manure, according to AgSTAR, a collaborative program sponsored by EPA and U.S. Department of Agriculture to promote the use of biogas recovery.

Dairy farms account for the most, numbering 255, with the rest on hog, poultry and beef farms.

Digesters are a pricey investment and require “quite a bit of maintenance,” Freund said. They also require “somebody who’s really interested in managing it.”

“There are a slew of reasons why we’re not getting more digesters,” Freund said.

AgSTAR estimates biogas recovery systems could work for more than 8,000 large dairy and hog operations and could potentially generate nearly 16 million megawatt-hours a year, displacing about 2,010 megawatts of fossil fuel-fired generation.

“At the end of the day every farmer would like to do it on their farm,” Bahler said.

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Guilty plea in immigration fraud scheme

South Windsor woman reportedly cost victims \$300K

By Susan Dunne

Hartford Courant

A South Windsor woman pleaded guilty in federal court in Bridgeport on Friday to an immigration fraud scheme that reportedly cost her victims more than \$300,000, the U.S. Department of Justice announced.

Khatija Khan, 40, and her husband ran JLLAS Corp. (Justice Land Legal Aid Services) and EIMAAN LLC to help clients deal with immigration issues. The clients were charged “significant amounts of money” for Khan’s services, according to a news release from Leonard C. Boyle, acting United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut.

The release states that from May 2015 to January 2018, Khan and her husband “recruited clients who sought some form of immigration status, relief or benefit. Many of these clients are aliens residing in the U.S. without legal status and had limited education, a limited ability to understand English and little to no knowledge of the documents that Khan and her husband were filing ... on their behalf.”

According to Boyle, Khan told clients she was an immigration attorney, which she is not. Khan also gave false information about clients in documents and, without clients’ knowledge, fabricated

other documents to be presented to the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, the release states.

“They then mailed, or caused to be mailed, these fraudulent applications and documents to USCIS, where they were received and made part of the official Alien file of each respective client,” Boyle’s release states.

The Justice Department has identified victims who, to date, lost a total of \$326,212 to the scheme.

Khan and her husband were arrested on Dec. 19, 2019.

“After her arrest, Khan continued to defraud multiple clients,” the release said.

Khan pleaded guilty before U.S. District Judge Stefan R. Underhill to one count of conspiracy to commit mail fraud and one count of mail fraud, each of which carries a prison term of up to 20 years. Her sentencing was scheduled for Feb. 11, 2022. She was released on a \$50,000 bond.

Khan’s husband is awaiting trial.

The case is being investigated by Homeland Security Investigations and the Internal Revenue Service’s Criminal Investigation Division, with help from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

Those who believe they have been victimized by this scheme should contact Ines Cenatiempo, victim-witness coordinator of the U.S. Attorney’s Office, at Ines.Cenatiempo@usdoj.gov or call 203-821-3757.

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Audit

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auditors wrote. “A lack of proper management oversight contributed to this condition.”

The education department replied that it would develop a complaint-tracking system, but did not acknowledge fault with how it handled the complaint against the former Ellis Tech principal. The principal left just two weeks after the complaint was lodged, it said.

“The principal retired effective March 1, leaving only 12 business days to conduct an investigation,” the education department told auditors. “There exists an email recommending a full investigation, in case the principal’s retirement is ever withdrawn/rescinded.

“An investigation was conducted into the principal’s use of CTECS masonry production work, and it was deemed that

the work completed was outside the scope outlined in the Ellis Tech production forms; however, the value owed to the general fund could not be determined,” the department said.

There is no indication in the audit whether police were brought into the investigation.

Auditors didn’t cite a financial loss, but said the education department failed to fully follow numerous state regulations and procedures designed to reduce the risk of theft, fraud or contract violation. The education department acknowledged a number of deficiencies and agreed to retrain staff or better circulate policies, but disputed some of the criticisms from the state auditors.

The education department didn’t consistently follow the rules for preventing abuse by employees holding two state jobs simultaneously, the auditors said. The department also

didn’t fully follow the guideline when rehiring retired state workers, and in several instances paid overtime or granted compensatory time without requiring pre-approval from the employees’ supervisors.

In the past three years, the education department also spent nearly \$340,000 on privatized services without completing the necessary cost-benefit analysis, auditors reported. In addition, the audit examined 15 cases where employees took extended medical leave, and concluded the education department didn’t have the proper documentation for eight of them.

“Employees may abuse sick leave when regulations are not enforced,” the auditors wrote. The education department replied that its internal website contained full documentation.

The audit report specifically cited problems at Ellis, a roughly 700-student, state-run technical school serving eastern Connecti-

cut.

“We also determined that the principal and a former assistant principal used their state email accounts to converse with each other after the former assistant principal left state service. The former assistant principal still had access to the state email account and sent 102 emails to the principal using this account,” auditors said.

“The principal used his state email to conduct personal business, including negotiating the restoration of a miter saw, purchasing a drill, ordering cabinetry and confirming an order for splitting wedges,” it concluded.

The education department replied that it has redistributed policies and procedures to all staff.

“A new associate fiscal administrative officer has been assigned to oversee this region and has been training/retraining staff and conducting weekly site visits,” the department said.

Lights

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Motion, with 1 million lights and synchronized music, Thursdays through Sundays from Nov. 25 to Jan. 1. Hours are Thursday and Sunday from 5 to 9 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 5 to 10 p.m. Hebron Lions Fairgrounds, 347 Gilead St. \$30 per car. lionslightsinmotion.org.

Holiday Lights Spectacular

Olde Mistick Village shopping mall at 27 Coogan Blvd. is holding a Holiday Lights Spectacular, decorating the village’s 50 restaurants and shops,

from Nov. 19 to Jan. 31. On Dec. 10 from 5 to 9:30 p.m., thousands of luminaria will be added to the light displays. facebook.com/OldeMistickVillage

Festival of Silver Lights

Hubbard Park, 999 W. Main St. in Meriden, is the home of Festival of Silver Lights from Nov. 24 to Jan. 2, drive-through and walk-through at any time of the day. Admission is free. meridencnt.myrec.com.

Fantasy of Lights

Goodwill of Southern New England benefits from Fantasy of Lights at Lighthouse Point Park, 2 Lighthouse Road in New Haven, from Nov. 19 to Dec. 31, Sunday to Thursday are 5 to

9 p.m. and Friday and Saturday 5 to 10 p.m. Admission is \$10 per car, \$25 per minibus and \$50 per bus. goodwillnsne.org.

Holiday Lights Spectacular

Another Holiday Lights Spectacular will be held at the Hartford Healthcare Amphitheater, 500 Broad St. in Bridgeport, daily from Nov. 18 to Jan. 2. Hours Sunday to Thursday are 5 to 10 p.m., and 5 to midnight Friday and Saturday. Admission is \$40 per car. hartfordhealthcareamp.com.

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Crafts

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Friday to Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m. galleryonthegreen.org.

Through Dec. 19

Enfield Indoor Regional Farmers Market will be Sundays through Dec. 19 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. inside vacant stores in the Enfield Square Mall. Foods and locally made crafts are for sale. facebook.com/EnfieldRegionalFarmersMarket.

Through Dec. 28

Holiday Pop Up Art Show at Canton Green Shopping Plaza at 166 Albany Turnpike (Route 44) runs through Dec. 28. Items include fabric, glass, sculpture, ceramics, woodwork, jewelry and paintings. Hours are Wednesday to Friday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas. cantonclayworks@yahoo.com.

Nov. 27 to Dec. 11

Holiday Marketplace at Nellie McKnight Museum, 70 Main St. in Ellington, will be Nov. 27 and Dec. 4 and 11 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wares include holiday decor, artisan wares, specialty collections and seasonal bargains. ellingtonhistsoc.org.

Nov. 21

Annual Fall Celebration of Women’s Crafts will be Nov. 21 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Pond House Cafe, 1555 Asylum Ave. in Elizabeth Park on the Hartford-West Hartford line. Items include pottery, clothing, jewelry, journals, artwork, soap, knitwear and sculpture. womenscraftcelebration@gmail.com.

Aqua Turf Club, 556 Mulberry St. in the Plantsville section of Southington, will welcome 140 crafters to a fair on Nov. 21 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Event is presented by Frosty’s Christmas Festival. \$5, 16 and younger free. facebook.com/frostysfestival.

Crafted Hartford Art Fair, presented by Hartford Flavor Company and The Dance Collective, will

be on Nov. 21 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 30 Arbor St. in Hartford. facebook.com/HartfordFlavorCompany.

Nov. 21 to Dec. 9

Sunday Makers Shops are at Whiting Mills, 100 Whiting St. in Winsted. Twenty resident artists, makers and specialty shops will sell their work every Sunday from Nov. 21 to Dec. 9 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The mill also will hold a Holiday Open Studio on Dec. 4 and 5 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. whitingmills.com.

Nov. 26 to Dec. 5

Artists’ Open Studios of Northeast Connecticut will be Nov. 26 to Dec. 4 to 5 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dozens of artists in Ashford, Chaplin, Columbia, Coventry, Danielson, Eastford, Mansfield, Pomfret, Putnam, Storrs, Thompson, Tolland, Willimantic, Willington, Windham and Woodstock will open their studios to show and sell their work. For a full list of artists and what dates they will participate, visit aostc.org.

Nov. 26 to Dec. 12

Wesleyan Potters, 350 S. Main St. in Middletown, will hold its annual holiday sale from Nov. 26 to Dec. 12. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Fridays; and Mondays and Tuesdays by appointment only. wesleyanpotters.com.

Nov. 26 to Dec. 31

Winterfair, a pop-up marketplace, will set up in vacant storefronts on Pratt and Trumbull streets in downtown Hartford from Nov. 26 to Dec. 31. More than 100 local artists, artisans, craftspeople, food purveyors and small businesspeople will sell their work. Hours are Black Friday from 6 to 10 p.m.; from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Nov. 27 and 28 and Dec. 4, 5, 11, 12, 18 and 19; from noon to 8 p.m. on Dec. 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 29 and 30; from noon to 4 p.m. on Christmas Eve; and from 2 p.m. to midnight on New Year’s Eve. winterfairhartford.com.

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Annie and Andy

Annie, top, and Andy are an adorable brother and sister who are 6 weeks old. They are available for adoption and are looking for a permanent home. If interested, contact AFOC at 860-693-0303 for more information.

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Please include a photo, a description of the pet including age and personality, and contact information including an email address and a phone number.



Willow

Willow is sweet, playful and adorable. This 2-year-old is also very entertaining, carrying around her spring toys and talking loudly. She enjoys a good head- and back-scratch and is quite sociable when visitors stop by. Willow loves routine. A calm adult/older teen home where she can curl up on the bed and “supervise” her people during the day would be perfect. She is looking for someone who understands shy kitties with a sassy side, and she could thrive with the right male cat friend. If interested, please contact Our Companions at 860-242-9999 or email Helpline@OurCompanions.org.



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NOW PLAYING Reviews of movies showing in theaters or streaming online

‘BELFAST’: Halfway through “Belfast,” Sir Kenneth Branagh’s deeply personal cinematic memoir of growing up in Northern Ireland during The Troubles, Branagh’s child avatar, Buddy (newcomer Jude Hill) receives some words of reassurance from his grandfather, Pop (Ciarán Hinds). He tells him, “You’re Buddy, from Belfast 15, and you’ll always be Buddy from Belfast 15. That’s the truth. It’ll keep you safe, and it’ll keep you happy.” With “Belfast,” Branagh, the lauded actor and director known for his Shakespearean adaptations, reconnects with Buddy from Belfast 15, remembering who that boy was, what he wanted, whom he loved and what his hopes and dreams were. It’s an emotional and intimate film, a childhood remembrance steeped in nostalgia and heartbreak; a love letter to a hometown written from the soul. 1:38. 3 stars. — *Katie Walsh, Tribune News Service*

‘CLIFFORD THE BIG RED DOG’: Back in 1963, the character of Clifford (the big red dog) came into the world when a children’s book editor suggested cartoonist and illustrator Norman Bridwell come up with a story to go along with one of his drawings. Taking inspiration from his wife and daughter, the adventures of Clifford and his faithful companion Emily Elizabeth have endured through a long-running series of children’s books and a spinoff animated PBS series, and now, the long-gestating live-action version finally gallops into town. This is a film that’s so guileless and well-intentioned that beating up on it would feel like, well, kicking a puppy. 1:37. 2 ½ stars. — *Katie Walsh*

‘DUNE’: On screen, Frank Herbert’s Baron Harkonnen-sized 1965 novel “Dune” best suits a director operating in a pre-“Star Wars” mode of storytelling. The patient, densely embroidered narrative invests heavily in themes of environmental, ecological and colonialist exploitation. Earnest sentiments such as “When you take a life, you take your own” go against the grain of most successful Hollywood-financed science-fiction forays. Even in a post-“Star Wars” smash such as “Avatar,” still the biggest hit in the universe, the point — setting aside the anguish over genocidal imperialist conquerors — is how many enemies a noble warrior can kill under pressure, in a hurry, so that we feel good and (per “Star Wars”) wouldn’t mind putting quarters in the same game again right away. “Dune” defies all that. So does its latest screen adaptation, a lot of which I love. 2:35. 3 stars. Streaming on HBO Max. — *Michael Phillips, Chicago Tribune*

‘ETERNALS’: “Eternals” introduces a slew of Marvel Cinematic Universe firsts. First same-sex kiss. First tender love scene between two hetero superheroes — discreet, brief but enough to remind you how much of the comic book genre is about looking good, alone, instead of quality time in pairs. Unfortunately, another first: “Eternals” is co-writer and director Chloe Zhao’s first dull movie. After “Songs My Brother Taught Me” (2015), the sublime neo-Western “The Rider” (2017) and her Oscar-winning “Nomadland” (2020), nearly as good as “The Rider,” this movie is more risk-prone than the majority of Marvel titles. Yet it

frustrates, even beyond a screenplay full of self-competing interests. And as far as MCU fatigue goes — well, at this point, it goes pretty far. On the other hand: There’s a series waiting to be built around Lauren Ridloff’s super-speedy cyclone-generator Makkari. 2:37. 2 stars. — *Michael Phillips*

‘GHOSTBUSTERS: AFTERLIFE’: “Ghostbusters: Afterlife” is indeed haunted. But it’s not just the likes of Muncher and the Stay-Puft Marshmallow Man that need to be zapped into proton packs. This film is haunted by the specter of the legacy of the 1984 “Ghostbusters,” which isn’t just lurking around the edges but literally baked into its DNA. “Ghostbusters: Afterlife” brings a new family into the ghostbusting dynasty, which includes a single mom, Callie (Carrie Coon), and her two kids: brainy tween Phoebe (Mckenna Grace) and gawky teen Trevor (Finn Wolfhard of “Stranger Things” and “It”). Callie is a bit of a loser, bad with money and down on her luck. When her estranged father dies and she inherits his property, she hauls her kids off to rural Oklahoma to investigate the value of his ramshackle old dirt farm. As one might surmise, said ramshackle old dirt farm is bursting with mysterious artifacts and ghost-hunting gear. With Phoebe’s round glasses, mop of dark curly hair and skill with numbers, anyone with even the most casual passing interest in “Ghostbusters” can see where this family story is going. 2:04. 1 ½ stars. — *Katie Walsh*

‘KING RICHARD’: “King Richard” redirects the tennis phenomenon of

Venus and Serena Williams away from the sisters and toward their father, Richard. He is played by Will Smith in a performance guaranteed an Oscar nomination — deserved, by the way — because the entire film is built to support that outcome. What we have here is a moderately good sports biopic with a very fine performance at center court. Secondly, in terms of screen time, debut screenwriter Zach Baylin’s enthusiastic account also manages some of what Richard’s then-wife, Oracene (Aunjanue Ellis), did to parent, coach, cajole and shape these two particular daughters, in a family of five high-achieving girls, into ferocious competitors. The results will please a wide audience searching for inspirational true-life stories ending with a reaffirmation of family, faith and hard, hard work. That said: Even the verifiably true material in “King Richard” has a way of coming off like a Hollywood movie in the most “Hollywood movie” sense of those words. 2:18. 2 ½ stars. — *Michael Phillips*

‘THE POWER OF THE DOG’: The gorgeous Otago region of New Zealand makes for one hell of a 1925 Montana in “The Power of the Dog,” the first feature written and directed by Jane Campion since “Bright Star” 12 years ago. This adaptation of the 1967 Thomas Savage novel is worth seeing, and arguing with, for several reasons. It’s a chamber Western, focused on four main characters, and those warring personalities are played by the exactly right quartet of Benedict Cumberbatch, Kirsten Dunst, Jesse Plemons (Dunst and Plemons are married off-camera) and Kodi Smit-McPhee. The



Paul Rudd stars in “Ghostbusters: Afterlife.”
KIMBERLEY FRENCH/SONY PICTURES

environment these forlorn souls call home works like a spacious dream of the Old West, shortly after it has given way to 20th century notions of progress. For Campion, the personifications of Western heroism and toughness are practically indistinguishable from their own nightmarish distortions. “The Power of the Dog” lays out this theme pretty bluntly, in a story that can feel a mite thin. It’s also well worth your time because it imagines the time, place and people it’s about so intriguingly. Campion, cinematographer Ari Wegner, the entire design team knew what they wanted. And got it. 2:06. 3 stars. — *Michael Phillips*

‘TICK TICK ... BOOM!’: Artists suffer, and fail, and work miracles, sometimes in the same frazzled measure of their lives. The late Jonathan Larson, who died at 35 in the final week of rehearsals for his off-Broadway (then Broadway, then everywhere)

musical smash “Rent,” measured out his own tragically abbreviated life in ways that made him typical of a struggling musical theater composer/lyricist, as well as uniquely himself. He was not an easy-breathing collaborator by any accounts, but he was a seriously inspired one. He took inspiration from the greats and then, after his sudden death, went on to inspire so many more coming up behind him. “Tick, Tick ... Boom!” is the story of that life. It premiered first as a “rock monologue” by Larson himself in 1990. The piece expanded for ensemble performance after Larson’s passing, and now, Lin-Manuel Miranda makes his feature directorial debut with a screen adaptation starring Andrew Garfield as Larson. 1:55. 3 ½ stars. — *Michael Phillips*

RATINGS: The movies listed are rated according to the following key: 4 stars, excellent; 3 stars, good; 2 stars, fair; 1 star, poor.

CELEBRITIES

Kardashian West heist case set for trial

From news services

Twelve people will stand trial in Paris over a \$10 million jewelry heist targeting Kim Kardashian West in 2016, authorities said Friday.

The reality TV star said she was tied up at gunpoint and locked in a bathroom after armed robbers forced their way into her rented Paris apartment during fashion week.

After five years of investigation, investigating judges have ordered the case sent to trial, a judicial official said Friday. The 12 suspects face a range of charges related to the theft. No trial date has been set, and the official would not provide further details.

Several suspects have been released from jail pending trial for health reasons, including Yunice Abbas, 68, one of the five men accused of carrying out the heist itself, who published a book about it last year.

The alleged mastermind, Aomar Ait Khedache, wrote Kardashian West an apology letter from prison, saying he regrets his actions and realizes the psychological damage he caused. At the time, a spokeswoman for Kardashian West said she was badly shaken but physically unharmed.

Photographer Rock dies: Photographer Mick Rock, 72, whose iconic portraits of rock stars including David Bowie, Lou Reed and Debbie Harry saw him dubbed “the man who shot the ‘70s,” has died.

A statement posted Friday on Rock’s official social media accounts said, “It is with the heaviest of hearts that we share our beloved psychedelic renegade Mick Rock has made the Jungian journey to the other side.” No cause of death was given.

Rock studied at Cambridge University,



A \$10 million jewelry heist targeted Kim Kardashian West in 2016 when she was in Paris. EVAN AGOSTINI/INVISION 2019

where he met Syd Barrett, a founding member of Pink Floyd, who became one of his first subjects. He was Bowie’s official photographer in the early 1970s, helping to make the singer’s alter ego, androgynous alien superstar Ziggy Stardust, a sensation.

Rock went on to take some of the most famous music photos of the era: a topless Iggy Pop on the cover of the “Raw Power” album; a spectral Lou Reed on “Transformer”; the members of Queen, their faces part-shadowed, for the cover of “Queen II.”

Queen guitarist Brian May said he was “sad and shocked to hear of the passing of our friend, photographer Mick Rock.”

Rock had heart bypass surgery and a kidney transplant in the 1990s after years of rock ‘n’ roll excess. He gave up cigarettes and drugs and carried on working, taking images of musicians including Pharrell

Williams, Lady Gaga and Miley Cyrus.

Eilish, Rudd to host ‘SNL’: Billie Eilish and Paul Rudd are set to host the last two “Saturday Night Live” episodes of 2021. Eilish will host her first “SNL” and appear for the second time as a musical guest on the sketch show Dec. 11, followed by Rudd, who will host “SNL” for the fifth time Dec. 18. Rudd will be joined by Charli XCX, who will be performing as the show’s musical guest for the second time.

Nov. 22 birthdays: Actor Michael Cally is 86. Director Terry Gilliam is 81. Musician Steven Van Zandt is 71. Actor Richard Kind is 65. Actor Jamie Lee Curtis is 63. Actor Mariel Hemingway is 60. Actor Mark Ruffalo is 54. Actor Scarlett Johansson is 37. Singer Candice Glover is 32. Actor Dacre Montgomery is 27.



ASK AMY

By Amy Dickinson

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Daughters won’t reveal reasons for trauma

Dear Amy: My husband and I have been married for 40 years. We have two daughters in their 30s.

He and I never missed a sporting or school event that our daughters participated in. We traveled, gave them every opportunity in life, and they had a wonderful childhood.

Or so we thought.

My youngest informed me that she had some “childhood trauma” (she couldn’t give me an example) that she is going into therapy for. She also informed me that her older sister told her that she had a horrible childhood.

My oldest has in the past been very disrespectful and dismissive of both my husband and me. She has never provided a reason for her attitude.

Could her father and I have gotten it so wrong? Thoughts?

— *Totally Confused Mom*

Dear Mom: Something seems to be amiss in your ideal family, but your angry daughters are not ready to illuminate things for you.

You say the daughter who reports childhood trauma cannot give you an example of what she is referring to. I say that she is not ready. This could be because you and your husband have a habit of denying problems, glossing things away or glossing things over.

Your other daughter is disrespectful and dismissive but refuses to explain why.

You are expecting both daughters to explain themselves to you, but they might lack the words, or the wherewithal, to pierce your family’s beautiful facade in order to describe

their own experiences.

They might have had a traumatic experience with a neighbor, a family member or kids at school. They might have felt afraid, lonely or harshly judged. Parents need to make sure that their children understand that they can fail, and fall, and have problems — because that’s what it means to be human.

I suggest that you start framing your concern toward them, personally — versus the impact on you — and offer to enter therapy with each, as soon as they are ready.

Dear Amy: My wife and I keep an immaculate home. It is our sanctuary!

We live in a different state from majority of family. My cousins have made it known that they anticipate staying with us as houseguests while visiting our area.

This particular family chooses to live in squalid conditions. They have four small children whose manners and behavior are also very challenging.

We don’t believe that this family will transform the moment they cross our doorstep.

Others say that we should accept hosting them. We should make the sacrifice and put up with painful houseguests, because that is just what you do when it is your flesh and blood.

My position is that it’s unfair to make us the bad guys for wanting to spare ourselves the trial of hosting these folks in our home. Envision being trapped in the role of manners cop/maid service for several days! What I see here is a

recipe for resentment. What are our options?

— *Touchy Situation*

Dear Touchy: For people who have taken a tough stance, you and your wife seem especially vulnerable to the opinions of others.

I don’t know of many households that can easily accommodate a family of six for several days.

Regardless of your capacities, you are unwilling to host this family.

You don’t need to supply reasons. You don’t need to explain yourself.

You do need to be willing to appear inflexible or ungenerous to those who will judge your choice.

If the family wants to visit your town, you could research nearby short-term rental homes. It would be kind of you to spend some time with them and host them for a few meals.

Dear Amy: Responding to “Overwhelmed,” who was struggling with cleaning out her mother’s apartment, when my father died, my sister and I took the things that were sentimental and/or useful.

Then the church ladies had a whole house sale.

It took three days, and it was a happy event for them. They kept all of the proceeds, and the only condition was that the house would be left totally empty.

— *Downsized*

Dear Downsized: This is brilliant!

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Renee Rapp, from left, Alyah Chanelle Scott, Pauline Chalamet and Amrit Kaur in “The Sex Lives of College Girls,” created by Mindy Kaling and Justin Noble. **JESSICA BROOKS/HBO MAX**

Rapp goes from ‘Mean Girls’ on Broadway to TV’s ‘College Girls’

By **Alicia Rancilio**
Associated Press

When Broadway shut down during the early days of the COVID-19 pandemic, “Mean Girls” star Renee Rapp figured she’d take the opportunity to return home in North Carolina and wait it out — thinking it would be only a few weeks. Weeks turned to months, and when Broadway showed no sign of reopening soon, the now 21-year-old had to figure out what was next.

She recalls a conversation with her mom who said, “ ‘What are you going to do with your life?’ And I was like, ‘I’ll get on it, Denise. Thank you,’” said Rapp.

Rapp’s manager suggested she begin auditioning for film and TV. Prior to that, Rapp had only done a few self-tape auditions and describes them as “not cute.” She read for the HBO Max series “The Sex Lives of College Girls,” created by Mindy Kaling and Justin Noble, and was shocked to even get a call back. The show recently debuted.

“I remember hearing they liked me and that I was ‘pinned.’ I had no idea

what that meant. I thought it meant they had someone else and I was on the back burner.” (It means you’re liked by the casting director and production for a role, and they want you to hold filming dates on your schedule.)

Rapp got cast as one of the four leads in the series alongside Pauline Chalamet, Alyah Chanelle Scott and Amrit Kaur. They portray college freshmen at a fictional New England university who share a dorm suite. Rapp plays Leighton, a Manhattanite with family money, who is a legacy student. She presents herself as more worldly and sophisticated than her roommates, but she’s also carrying secrets about herself that she’s not ready to get out.

Getting the job meant Rapp had to officially leave her “Mean Girls” role of Regina George and ask producers including Tina Fey to let her out of her contract.

“I didn’t think it would hit me as hard as it did. Getting that out from Tina and the team, I cried. It had been my whole life for an entire year,” she said. (The show eventually decided not to reopen.)

Rapp moved to Los Angeles and has become close with co-star Chanelle Scott, who also comes from musical theater.

“Every single day on set, we would leave and we would be like, ‘Do we feel good about that? Did we feel good about what we did? No.’ And it’s truly just in our own heads. We’re nervous. Also coming from a theater background, there’s this lack of instant gratification that we now have through TV, which is just like a different space to navigate. But it has been so nice doing it with her,” said Rapp.

She would love to continue acting but the perfect opportunity, says Rapp, would be to act and sing for TV or film.

“Through doing straight acting in a series, I definitely miss the musical aspect of my life. Like more than I imagined. But I also now know from not doing it for a year that it’s something I have to be doing 24/7, and that’s very affirming and also very scary because I’m like, ‘OK, the stakes are high.’ But I love acting, and I definitely want to do it again. I know that I want to do it coupled with music.”

HOROSCOPES

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Aries (March 21-April 19):Make some welcome home improvements. You might want to DIY some unique modern touches to your place or splurge on cutting-edge gadgets that make you feel like you’re running your household with the flip of a switch.

Taurus (April 20-May 20):Be willing to try anything once. If a friend invites you to take a class with them or try out a new skill, accept it - you may discover a newfound talent and even learn how to create some really useful things. You might already have a knack for making things of beauty.

Gemini (May 21-June 20):Pour your heart into work that you love. Although it may seem like nobody notices your efforts today, having patience right now may lead to many benefits in the future. Your devotion to this labor of love could get you a money-making offer in this or a similar field.

Cancer (June 21-July 22):Reaching a lifelong goal could happen today. A phone call, text, or email might contain delightful news! Its a good idea to check your messages often, as one could contain an opportunity requires a fast response. A split-second pivot at this time might put you on the path to some delightful good fortune.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22):You’re getting lots of help from the cosmos today. The chance to apply for a position that seemed out of your league could appear out of nowhere. Although attempting to get this job could be daunting, you can project an air of confidence. Summon your courage and passion.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):A friend has kept a secret. Their accomplishments might be almost unbelievable - which makes this a valuable lesson to never judge a book by its cover. If you prematurely label people, it can lead to lost opportunities. Working with your friend could help both of you learn.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):You find yourself seeing the hidden value in people. If you propose a radical new business strategy, you may be handsomely rewarded. Take this bounty in stride because it might be just the beginning of a series of professional victories. The satisfaction will be worth it.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):Someone you thought you knew could reveal surprising. Be open to following their lead, even if you’re normally the one in the drivers seat. This is a great chance to learn something new! Adding fresh tools to your kit could allow you to work smarter instead of harder. Keep your ego in check.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):Sharing is always caring. Today, however, you may be blessed and humbled to realize just how many people appreciate all the kindness you’ve extended to them over the years. A generous token of appreciation could be coming your way from someone you helped out.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):Something might be weighing on your mind at the moment and it’s important you find a way to comfort yourself. Listen to your heart and you’ll feel better soon. Even if you have to take some time away from work, taking care of your own mental health should be a priority.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):A sudden development at home could bring you a lot of joy. A pregnancy announcement, real estate opportunity, or surprise reunion may be in store, and upon hearing this news, you might have to sit down to recover from the shock! This one could make you tremble.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20):Your creative talent can help you connect with someone right now who’s interested in your work. You could find great joy out of making beautiful things while someone else handles the more administrative affairs. If you’ve ever thought about teaching, this can be a great time to start.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Associated Press

On Nov. 22, 1718, pirate Edward Teach, better known as “Blackbeard,” was killed during a battle.

In 1906, the “S-O-S” distress signal was adopted at the International Radio

Telegraphic Convention in Berlin.

In 1935, a flying boat, the China Clipper, took off from Alameda, California, on the first trans-Pacific airmail flight.

In 1963, John F. Kennedy, the 35th President of the United States, was shot to death in Dallas; Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson was sworn in as president.

In 1990, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher announced she would resign.

In 2005, Angela Merkel took power as Germany’s first female chancellor.

In 2014, a 12-year-old Black boy, Tamir Rice, was shot and mortally wounded by police after brandishing what turned out to be a pellet gun.



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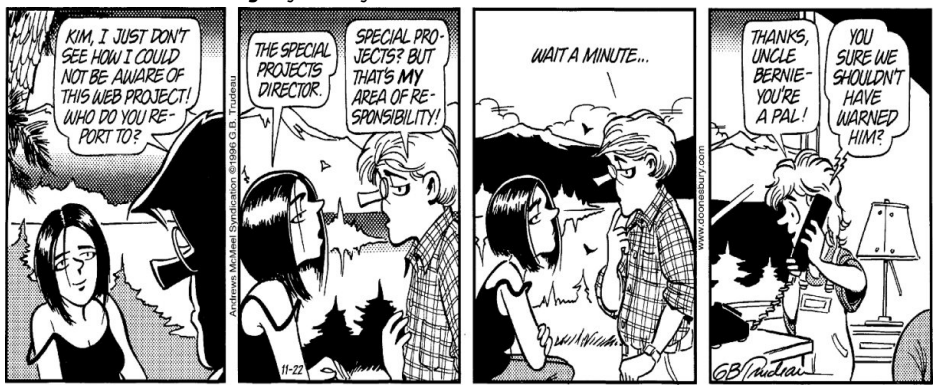
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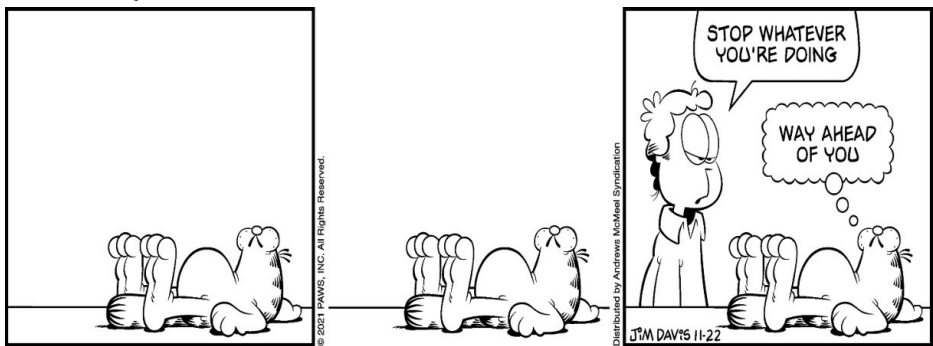
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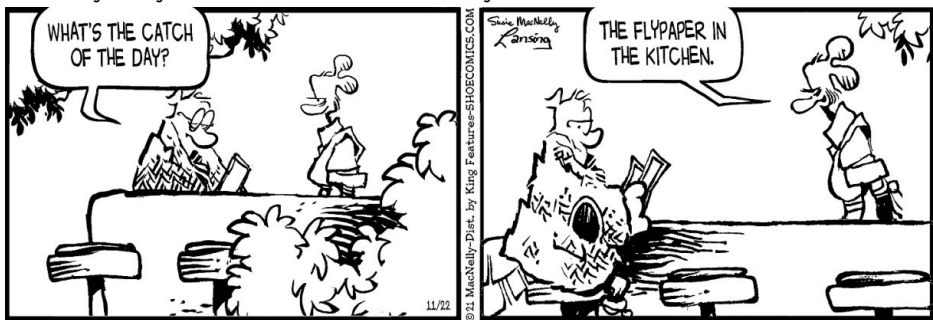
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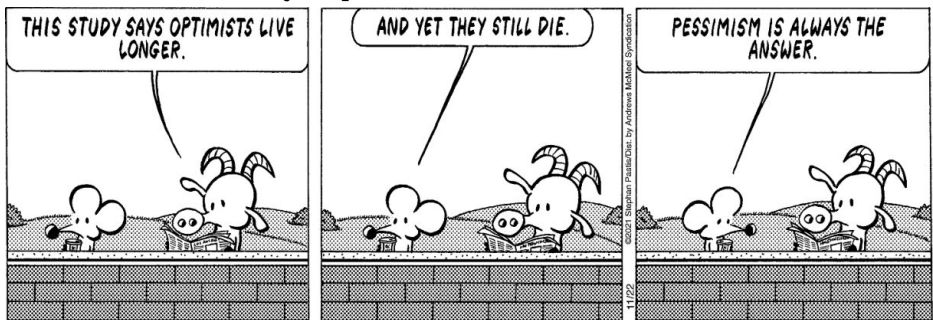
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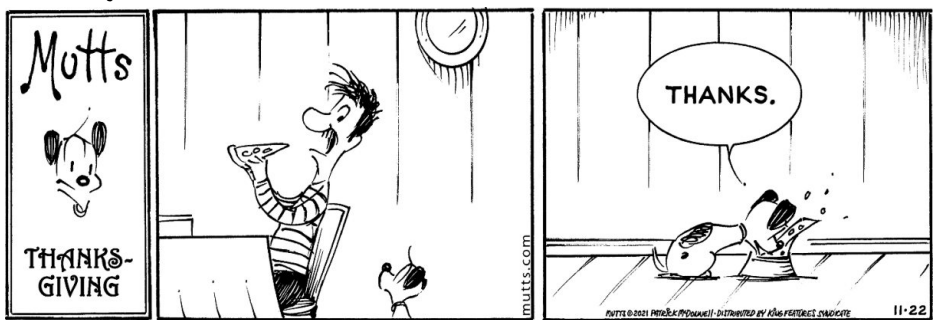
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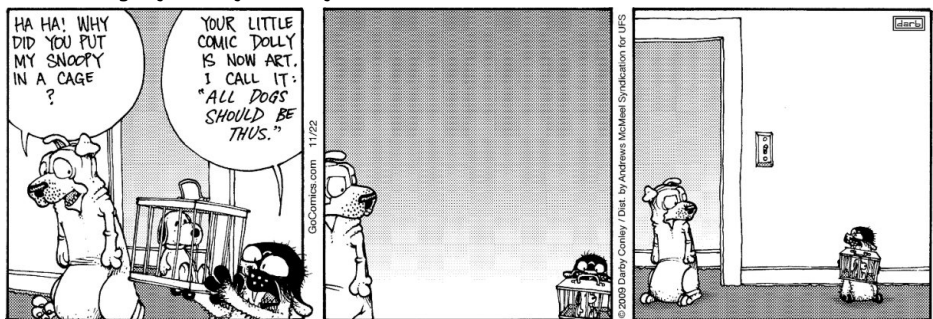
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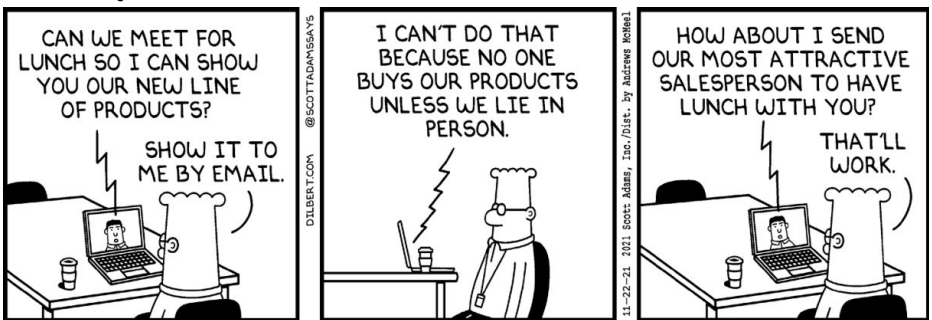
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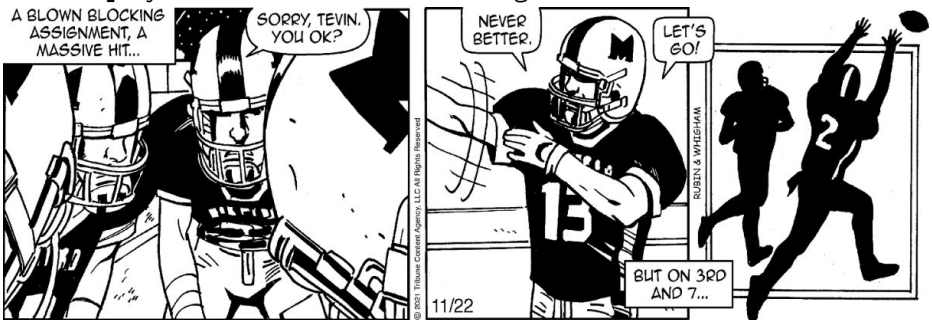
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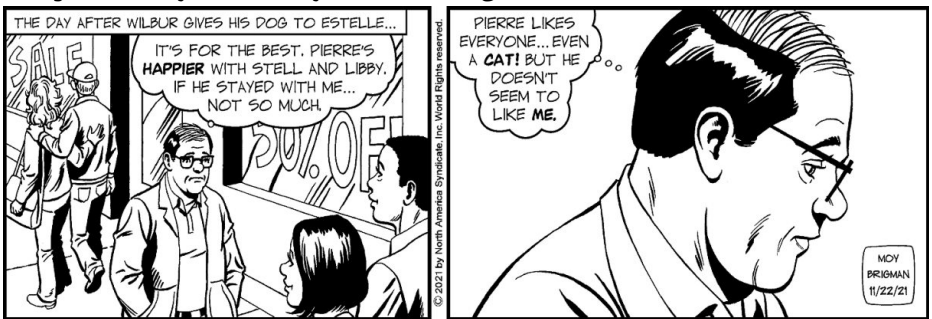
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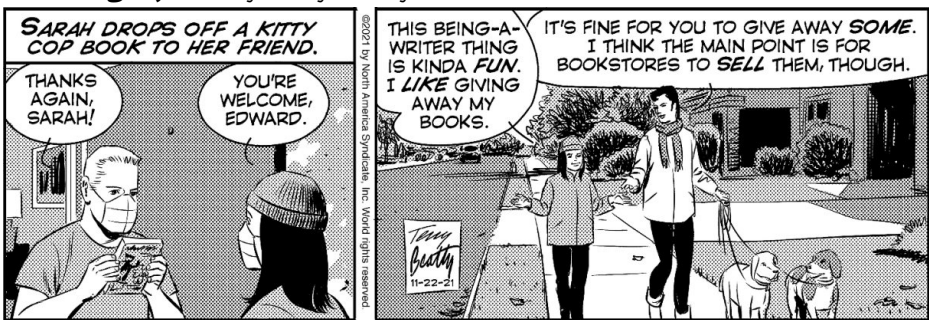
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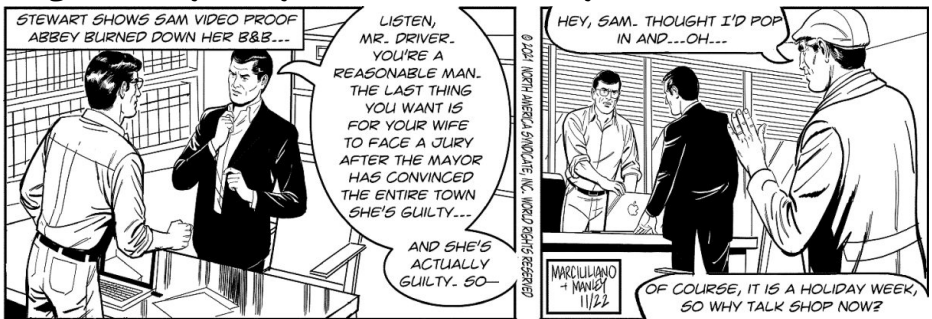
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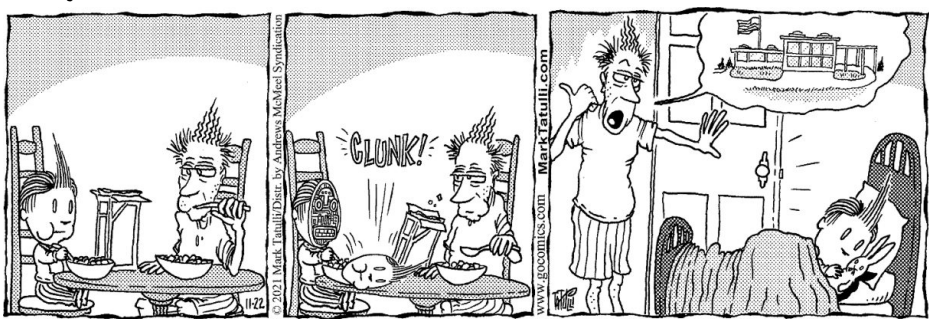
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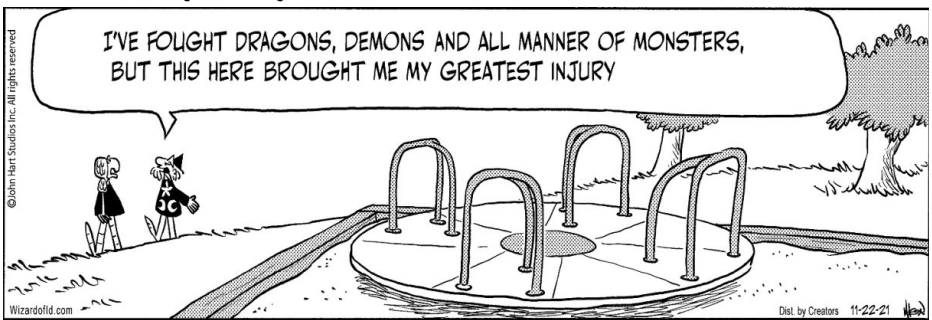
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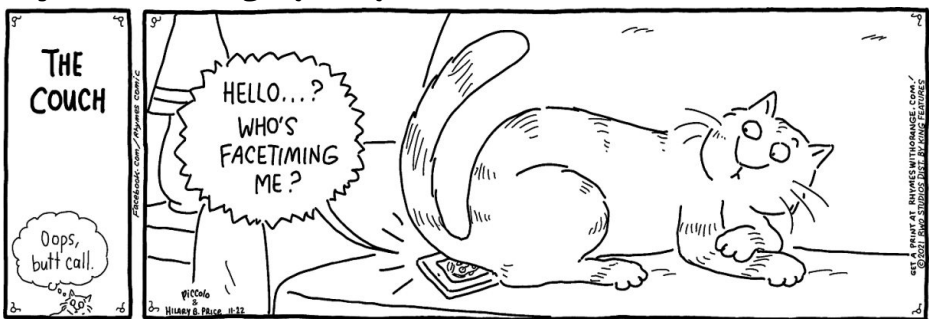
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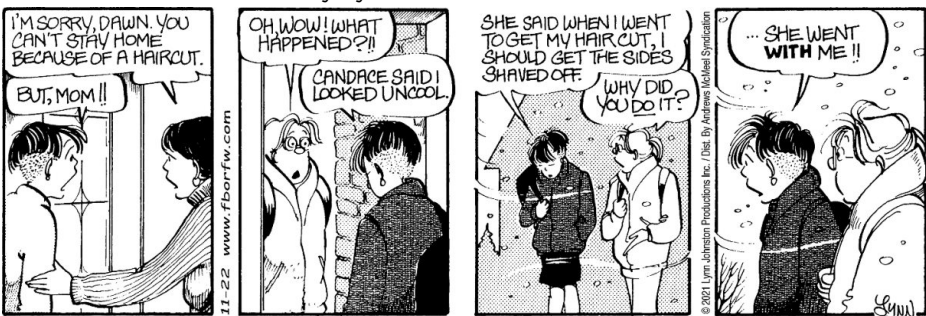
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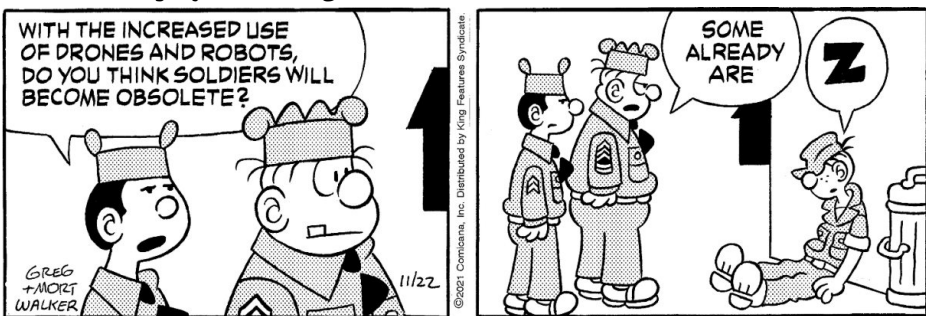
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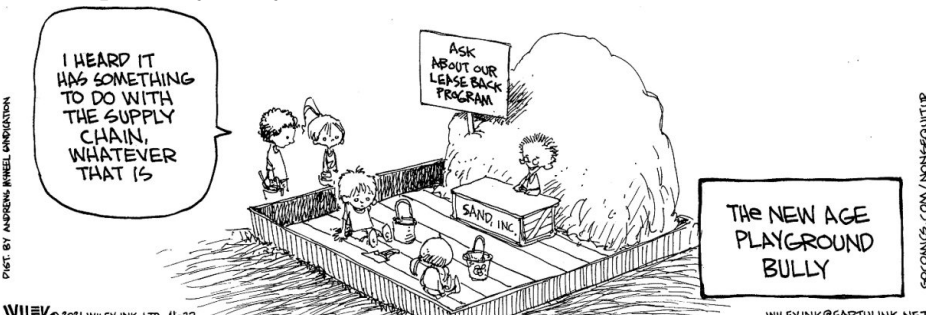
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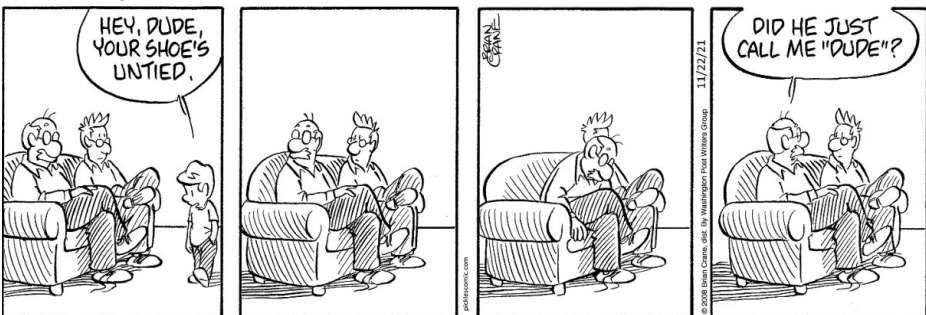
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16 Scrape, in to-ese
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21 Top of a wave
22 Ill will
25 On one's way
28 SoCal NFL team
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30 Thor's father
31 Dividing membranes
33 Letter between pi and sigma
36 Bath towel word
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39 Musical ability
40 Sound of contentment
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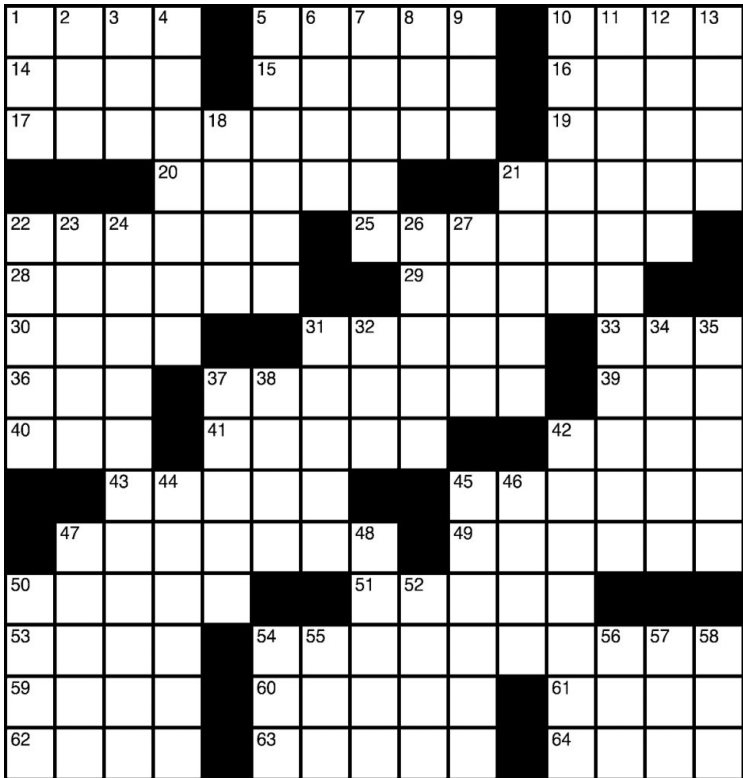
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61 Paris airport
62 Makes a mistake
63 Cropped up
64 The "P" in IPA

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7 Oscar winner Jessica
8 The "E" in ESL: Abbr.
9 Family nickname
10 "I totally agree"
11 *Affectionate bedtime words
12 Lather, __, repeat
13 In the mail
18 Professor in Clue
21 Reef material
22 Honolulu hello
23 1976 Olympic great Comaneci
24 *Silky-coated bird dog
26 Places where moms grab puppies when they pick them up
27 Actress Hayworth

- 31 Stockholm native
32 Advanced teaching deg.
34 Silent Marx brother
35 Pest control biggie
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42 Milliner's store
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50 Actress Blanchett
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57 Every one
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Down

- 1 "How silly of me!"
2 Freud's "The __ and the Id"
3 Space bar neighbor
4 Sony audio product unveiled in 1984



By Robert E. Lee Morris

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BRIDGE

BY STEVE BECKER

East dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

- ♠ A K Q
♥ A 4
♦ K J 8 5 3
♣ K Q J

WEST

- ♠ J 10 7
♥ 8 3 2
♦ 9
♣ 10 8 7 6 4 3

EAST

- ♠ 8 6 5 3
♥ J 10 9 6 5
♦ Q 7 6
♣ 9

SOUTH

- ♠ 9 4 2
♥ K Q 7
♦ A 10 4 2
♣ A 5 2

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
Pass	1 ♠	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	1 NT	Pass	4 ♣
Pass	4 ♣	Pass	5 ♣
Pass	5 ♥	Pass	7 NT

Opening lead — jack of spades.

Famous hand

This deal occurred in the U.S.-Switzerland match in 1968. When Robert Jordan and Arthur Robinson were North-South for the United States, the bidding went as shown.

Four clubs was Gerber, asking for aces, and four spades showed two; five clubs asked for kings, and five hearts showed one.

With all the aces and kings accounted for, Jordan bid seven notrump, hoping his diamonds would produce the extra tricks needed for the grand slam.

Exercising his customary wizardry, Robinson proceeded to make the contract despite the 3-1 diamond break. After winning the spade lead — and before tackling the key suit, diamonds — he cashed all his spades, hearts and clubs.

In the process, Robinson learned that West had started with six clubs and at

least three spades and three hearts, and therefore could not have more than one diamond.

Accordingly, Robinson next cashed dummy's king of diamonds and then led a diamond to the ten to score 2,220 points.

At the other table, the Swiss North-South pair stopped at six notrump, but because declarer could not afford to jeopardize the small slam by first taking all the tricks in the side suits, he wound up making only six when he played the A-K of diamonds early on.

It is interesting to note that seven diamonds would have gone down one with normal play.

Only at seven notrump can declarer afford to test the side suits in order to shed light on the diamonds.

Tomorrow: It takes two to tango.

JUMBLE

BY DAVID HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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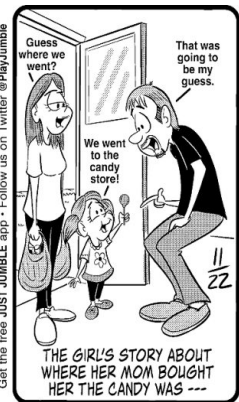
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Yesterday's Jumbles: STRUM BOUND PILLOW ELEVEN

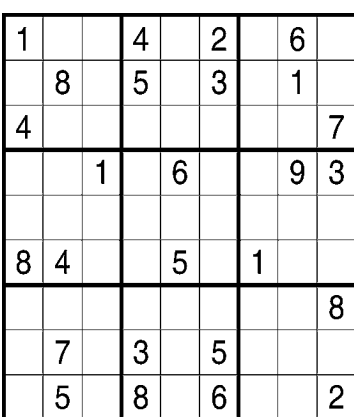
Answer: Q: What do this scamp and a solver of this puzzle have in common? A: They can both — SPELL TROUBLE



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

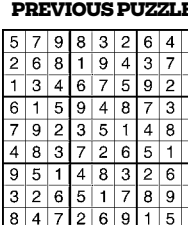
(Answers tomorrow)

TODAY'S SUDOKU



Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



ANSWER TO PREVIOUS CROSSWORD PUZZLE



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BOYS SOCCER

Wethersfield beats Fitch to win state title

By Lori Riley
Hartford Courant

HARTFORD — There are 20 seniors on the Wethersfield boys soccer team. After the Eagles played a scoreless first half against Fitch in the Class L state championship game at Dillon Stadium on Sunday, the players met in the locker room.

[Coach Rob Jachym] was like, ‘This is the last time we’re ever going to play together. Go out there, play hard, because when we go home, we can’t say I wish we had another opportunity,’” senior Joe Tata said.

The 12th-seeded Eagles came out a different team in the second half, scoring four goals en route to a 4-1 victory over No. 14 Fitch. It

was Wethersfield’s 16th state title, the most in the state in boys soccer. The last time Wethersfield (15-3-3) won a state title was 2008. The last time it went to the final was 2015.

It was the fifth title for Jachym, who has been Wethersfield’s coach since 2000 when he won the first of four between 2000-2008.

“I was telling the boys the class

of 2004 [who won a state title] is here watching,” Jachym said. “It’s not easy to do. It takes a little bit of fortune as well, not just good players. We got a little bit of fortune today. This group of seniors, I’m so happy I kept all the seniors. My job this year has been very easy.”

It was 0-0 at halftime.

Six minutes into the second half, Wethersfield started to make

the most of its opportunity. Josh Gstell scored his 10th goal of the season for the Eagles, off an assist from William McCarter (who had his team-leading 14th assist of the season).

Four minutes later, the offense had a ball bounce off the post and with 14:30 left, Wethersfield’s

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WOMEN’S BASKETBALL UCONN 60, USF 53

Fudd helps set up showdown against No. 1 South Carolina

By Alexa Philippou
Hartford Courant

PARADISE ISLAND, BAHAMAS — UConn women’s basketball freshman Azzi Fudd may have had a quiet start to her college career, but when her team needed it most, the No. 1 recruit in the class of 2021 came through Sunday in the Huskies’ second Battle 4 Atlantis game.

On a day when offense was tough to come by and UConn fell behind for the first time this season, Fudd shot 6-for-9 from 3 and finished with 18 points to push No. 2 UConn (3-0) to a 60-53 victory over gritty No. 23 USF in the Bahamas. The Huskies will face No. 1 South Carolina, which beat No. 9 Oregon 80-63 later in the day, Monday at noon in the tournament’s championship game.

“Coach has been telling me to shoot, and every game so far I’ve been overthinking,” said Fudd, who’s known for her textbook shooting form but had gone 2-for-9 from beyond the arc entering the game. “So today my goal was to not overthink, when I get the ball, my defenders hands aren’t right in my face, and to shoot.”

“If God ever gave anybody a better shooting stroke in the world, I don’t know who it is,” coach Geno Auriemma said.

Fudd and sophomore Paige Bueckers combined for all but 21 of UConn’s points, the latter finishing with 21 on 8-for-16 shooting (3-for-10 on 3s) — in other words, a glimpse of the future so many Huskies fans were excited for with the pair joining forces in Storrs.

Now if only Auriemma can get his unselfish stars to shoot more. He shouted as much to Bueckers early in the game, after which she scored seven straight points in the first quarter. Later on, it was Fudd being yelled at to launch it and to quit unnecessary-



UConn freshman guard Azzi Fudd gave the Huskies an offensive lift Sunday against FSU, hitting 6 of 9 3-pointers for all of her 18 points. DONALD KNOWLES/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT

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GIANTS

Garrett says O-line rebuild still a work in progress

By Pat Leonard
New York Daily News

TAMPA, Fla. — Jason Garrett finally said the quiet part out loud. Someone had to.

The Giants’ offensive coordinator knows the pressure is on him to score more points in the season’s second half, beginning on “Monday Night Football” against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers at Raymond James Stadium.

But Garrett decided to pull back

the curtain for his critics on why it’s so difficult for the Giants (3-6) to score: The offensive line, which GM Dave Gettleman promised to fix four years ago, is still in the early, bare-bones stage of a rebuild. Just like the rest of the roster.

“It’s just part of where we are,” Garrett said in his weekly Thursday podium interview. “We’re trying to rebuild a team, and that’s a process. It was a process for us in Dallas at different times.”

Garrett has had to scheme

around this O-line liability that has the potential to wreck Monday’s game against the Bucs (6-3). And it’s no stretch to say that the line’s success or failure in these final eight games will significantly impact the fortunes of Gettleman, Garrett and Daniel Jones.

Garrett held n’othing back when asked how different it was running an offense with his former Dallas Cowboys O-line compared to what he’s working with now. Essentially, the longtime head coach laid out

how to properly build a line and an offense.

“You have to make the decision to say, ‘OK, we’ve got to allocate this resource, ‘cause this is important to us,” Garrett said. “And we did that [in Dallas] time and time again. And all of a sudden you built a really powerful, strong offensive line that’s still going today that [includes] really good players, cornerstone players. So that’s what

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UConn MEN’S BASKETBALL

Positive signs, but slow starts remain a concern

By Shreyas Laddha
Hartford Courant

The UConn men’s basketball team came into the game against Binghamton dominating its three previous mid-major opponents (Central Connecticut, Coppin State and LIU) through cohesiveness on both sides of the ball.

On Saturday afternoon, the No. 23 Huskies struggled to play a complete game, starting off slow and letting their defense slip in the second half despite the 87-63 win over the Bearcats.

UConn coach Dan Hurley was not pleased.

“It was an incredibly painful game to watch if you are a UConn fan or coach, just a really flat ... really poor performance at both ends of the court,” Hurley said.

As UConn heads to the Bahamas to play in the Battle 4 Atlantis tournament over the Thanksgiving holiday, let’s break down the high and lows of the Huskies’ overall play so far this season.

The highs

Tyrese Martin’s ability to play any role

In UConn’s last two games, the senior guard has adapted his game to essentially fill in the gaps for the Huskies. In the game against LIU, Martin let his offense come to him. Martin finished 4-for-4 from the field with 10 points. On the defensive end, he limited one of LIU’s best scorers, Tyrn Flowers, to just four points on 2-for-9 shooting. Martin gathered high praise from Hurley.

“He knew he was going to expend a lot of energy on the defensive end, so he gave up a little bit of his offense and he played really, really smart,” Hurley said.

On Saturday, Martin did a little bit of everything. He finished with 15 points, 11 rebounds, four assists, three steals and one block on 5-for-10 shooting.

Jordan Hawkins’ shooting prowess

The hype around Hawkins has been unreal this season — from fans, teammates and Hurley alike. The freshman guard played in his second collegiate game against Binghamton on Saturday. Hawkins showed a little bit of why so many people believe in his ability. In just 14 minutes, he scored 11 points on 5-for-8 shooting.

“He brings a different element of perimeter firepower

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Safety Tip of the Day

If you have small children secure all unstable or top-heavy furniture to the wall (i.e., TVs, dressers, bookshelves, etc.).

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Patriots: Titans, Sunday, 1 p.m.
Giants: at Buccaneers, Monday, 8:15 p.m.
Jets: at Texans, Sunday, 1 p.m.
UConn MBB: vs. Auburn (Battle 4 Atlantis, Bahamas), Wednesday, 2:30 p.m.; vs. TBA (Battle 4 Atlantis, Bahamas), Thursday, time TBA; vs. TBA (Battle 4 Atlantis, Bahamas), Friday, time TBA
UConn WBB: vs. South Carolina (Battle 4 Atlantis, Bahamas), Monday, noon; at Seton Hall, Dec. 3, 7 p.m.; Notre Dame (at Gampel), Dec. 5, noon.
Celtics: Rockets, Monday, 7:30 p.m.; Nets, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.; at Spurs, Friday, 8:30 p.m.
Knicks: Lakers, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.; Suns, Friday, 7 p.m.; at Hawks, Saturday, 7:30 p.m.
Nets: at Cavaliers, Monday, 7 p.m.; at Celtics, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.; Suns, Saturday, 7:30 p.m.
UConn hockey: Colgate, Saturday, 4 p.m.; at Merrimack, Dec. 3, 7 p.m.; Merrimack, Dec. 4, 3 p.m.
Bruins: at Sabres, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Rangers, Friday, 1 p.m.; Canucks, Sunday, 7 p.m.
Rangers: at Islanders, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.; at Bruins, Friday, 1 p.m.; Islanders, Sunday, 6 p.m.
Wolf Pack: Springfield, Friday, 7 p.m.; at Springfield, Saturday, 2 p.m.; Springfield, Dec. 1, 7 p.m.

TV/RADIO

BASKETBALL
Noon: Women's Battle 4 Atlantis UConn vs. South Carolina. (Live) ESPN
2 p.m.: Maui Invitational Texas A&M vs Wisconsin. (Live) ESPN2
4:30 p.m.: Maui Invitational Butler vs Houston. (Live) ESPN2
6 p.m.: Jacksonville Classic, Duval Bracket Consolation. (Live) CBSSN
6 p.m.: Ohio State at Seton Hall. (Live) FS1
7 p.m.: Charleston Southern at Georgia Tech. (Live) ACC
7 p.m.: Virginia at Georgia. (Live) ESPN
7 p.m.: Nets at Cavaliers. (Live) NBA, YES
7:30 p.m.: Rockets at Celtics. (Live) NBCSB
8:30 p.m.: Jacksonville Classic, Duval Bracket Championship. (Live) CBSSN
8:30 p.m.: California at Florida. (Live) FS1
9 p.m.: The Citadel at Duke. (Live) ACC
9 p.m.: Maui Invitational Oregon vs Chaminade. (Live) ESPN
10 p.m.: Philadelphia 76ers at Sacramento Kings. (Live) NBA
10:30 p.m.: TCU at Santa Clara. (Live) CBSSN
11 p.m.: Gonzaga at Central Michigan. (Live) ESPN
11:30 p.m.: Maui Invitational St. Mary's vs Notre Dame. (Live) ESPN2
1 a.m.: Pepperdine at Fresno State. (Live) CBSSN
FOOTBALL
8 p.m.: Giants at Buccaneers. (Live) ESPN
HOCKEY
8 p.m.: Knights at Blues. (Live) NHL
TENNIS
6 p.m.: WTT Orange County Breakers vs. Springfield Lasers, San Diego Aviators vs. New York Empire. (Live) TENNIS

DOLPHINS 24, JETS 17

Mistakes, penalties doom Jets in loss

By Dennis Waszak Jr.
Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Robert Saleh was clearly annoyed after the New York Jets’ latest defeat, and it’s hard to blame him. His team had several chances to pull out a win against an AFC East rival, but mistakes, penalties and missed opportunities were too much to overcome in a 24-17 loss to the Miami Dolphins on Sunday. “Ninety percent of the games in this league are lost, not won,” Saleh said. “And this one was lost.” The 2-8 Jets, who rebounded defensively after allowing at least 45 points in three of their past four games, couldn’t make key stops late. And they also couldn’t get much going consistently on offense. Joe Flacco made his first start in place of the injured Zach Wilson, who missed his fourth straight game. New York opted to go with the 36-year-old Flacco over Mike White, saying the veteran would give them a better chance against Miami’s aggressive defense. Flacco wasn’t bad at all, finishing 24 of 39 for 291 yards and touchdowns to Elijah Moore and Jamison Crowder. But it wasn’t enough. “We did some good things,” Flacco said. “But we made too many mistakes to win the football game.” Two penalties on defense were the glaring miscues, and they both came in the fourth quarter. With the score tied at 14 and the Dolphins facing a third down from the Jets 6, Tua Tagovailoa’s short pass to Myles Gaskin fell incom-



Jets quarterback Joe Flacco was 24 of 39 for 291 yards and two touchdowns, but the Jets’ mistakes were costly in Sunday’s loss to the Dolphins. ADAM HUNGER/AP

plete. But instead of fourth down and a likely field-goal try, a roughing the passer penalty on John Franklin-Myers kept the drive alive. Miami took advantage. Tagovailoa’s 5-yard TD toss to Gaskin put the Dolphins ahead 21-14 with 10:15 left. A penalty hurt the Jets again on Miami’s next possession, when Tagovailoa was sacked on third down — but it was wiped out by a holding call on Jason Pinnock. The Dolphins milked the clock and

took a 24-14 lead with 1:57 remaining on Jason Sanders’ 24-yard field goal. “The Pinnock one, he’s being aggressive with a big tight end,” Saleh said. “I’ll never fault aggressive penalties. JFM ... unacceptable.” On special teams, Matt Ammendola — who missed two field goals — lined up to attempt a 56-yarder on the Jets’ first possession after halftime, but Saleh said he changed his mind. New York was called for delay of game and then punted.

“I just didn’t want to take a chance at it,” Saleh said. But Miami turned that into more points moments later when Tagovailoa connected with Mack Hollins for a 65-yard touchdown to give the Dolphins a 14-7 lead. The Jets also had two substitution errors in the third quarter, causing them to burn timeouts early and leaving them with just one the rest of the way. “That’s coaching,” Saleh said. “That’s something we have to get fixed.”



Giants quarterback Daniel Jones talks with offensive coordinator Jason Garrett. Garrett says a big part of the Giants’ struggles is the offensive line. COREY SIPKIN/AP

Giants

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you have to do.” Garrett cited only one player as a similar cornerstone with the Giants: left tackle Andrew Thomas, the No. 4 overall pick in the 2020 draft. Gettleman’s scrambling at the preseason’s end to trade for backup linemen Billy Price and Ben Bredeson and sign Matt Skura was a shocking (but not surprising) indictment of internal misvaluations of the Giants’ own talent, on top of left guard Shane Lemieux’s injury. “We’re in the process of [allocating resources],” the second-year OC said. “Certainly we allocated a big resource to draft Andrew Thomas. And I think we’ve all seen his progression. He’s going to be a hell of a football player for a long

time.” Otherwise, no one on the starting offensive line is a long-term solution at his position, even if Garrett diplomatically said that all of his linemen “have done a hell of a job.” Not Skura at left guard, Price at center or Nate Solder at right tackle. Not 2018 second-round pick Will Hernandez, either, though at least he has worked hard to be serviceable. Tackle Matt Peart, a 2020 third-round pick out of UConn, also has a long way to go if he ever gets there at all. Thomas’ return to the lineup against the Bucs after a three-game absence on injured reserve offers a sliver of hope that Monday’s pass protection and run blocking might improve. Look at the Bucs. Their offensive line has allowed zero sacks

Giants (3-6) at Buccaneers (6-3)

Time/TV: 8:15 p.m., ESPN
Series record: Giants lead 16-8.
Last meeting: Buccaneers won 25-23 on Nov. 2, 2020, at East Rutherford, New Jersey.
Last week: Giants had bye, beat Las Vegas 23-16 on Nov. 7; Buccaneers lost at Washington 29-19.
Key matchup: Giants QB Daniel Jones against a defense that allowed Washington to compile nearly a 2 to 1 advantage in time of possession en route to last week’s upset of the defending Super Bowl champions. Tampa Bay’s secondary is still reeling from a rash of injuries that sidelined starting CBs Sean Murphy-Bunting and Carlton Davis for most of the season. CB Richard Sherman was placed on injured reserve last week. Another backup pressed into action because of injuries, CB Dee Delaney, left last week’s game with a concussion.
Key injuries: Giants RB Saquon Barkley (ankle) returned to practice. He has not taken a handoff in six weeks. Giants LT Andrew Thomas has missed the past three games with foot/ankle injuries. ... Murphy-Bunting (dislocated elbow) has been sidelined since being injured in the season opener. He has been practicing for two weeks and could return to the lineup Monday night. ... Buccaneers TE Rob Gronkowski (ribs) and WR Antonio Brown (ankle) are progressing toward possible returns after being sidelined much of the past month.
Notes: New York has lost nine straight games in prime time, including at Washington and Kansas City this season.The Giants are 13-19 in games after the bye week, which was re-introduced in 1990. ... Bucs QB Tom Brady is three TD passes shy of joining Brett Favre and Peyton Manning for the second-most seasons (nine) with 30-plus TD passes. ... Tampa Bay’s Mike Evans is closing in on becoming the sixth WR with at least 9,000 yards and 70 TDs receiving in the first eight seasons of a career. He needs 128 yards and already has the 70 touchdowns.

Associated Press

in nine games since the start of the 2020 season, which leads the league. That’s part of the reason Tom Brady chose Tampa in the first place. Then Bucs GM Jason Licht drafted right tackle Tristan Wirfs in 2020 after the Giants picked Thomas to complete the puzzle. Brady promptly won his seventh

Super Bowl and now is in the MVP conversation at age 44. Meanwhile, Daniel Jones had to answer questions last week about his 0-7 career prime time record in the NFL, and the Giants’ nine straight losses in night games overall. “We haven’t won enough games here recently period,” Jones said, poignantly.

NHL

Rangers beat buzzer to stun Sabres with last-second goal

By Associated Press

Defenseman Ryan Lindgren barely beat the third-period buzzer to lift the New York Rangers to a 5-4 victory over the Buffalo Sabres on Sunday night and extend their home winning streak to five games at Madison Square Garden. Lindgren stunned Sabres goaltender Aaron Dell by taking a pass from Mika Zibanejad and rifling the puck into the net for his second goal of the season at 19:59. Lindgren’s heroics came after the teams scored three goals each in a wild second period, including four goals in an 82-second span. Chris Kreider, Jacob Trouba, Kaapo Kakko and K’Andre Miller scored for the Rangers. Alexander Georgiev had 14 saves and was replaced by Igor Shesterkin, who had four saves in the third. The Sabres have lost eight of their last 10 games. Rasmus Asplund, Vinnie Hinostroza, Tage Thompson and Rasmus Dahlin scored for Buffalo, and Dell had 31 saves. Asplund opened the scoring at 15:53 of the first with a power-play goal. Kreider tied it for the Rangers with this team-leading 13th goal of

the season, whipping the puck past Dell with less than a minute left in the first. Hinostroza put the visitors ahead with an unassisted goal at 2:26 of the second. Rangers defenseman Trouba tied it at 8:03, poking a loose puck past Dell at 8:03 of the period. Kakko then scored his third goal in his last four games with eight minutes left in the second to give the Rangers a 3-2 lead, which lasted less than a minute before Thompson tied it with his team-leading sixth goal. Dahlin then beat Georgiev with a shot from the point 15 seconds later to put Buffalo ahead 4-3. Miller continued the scoring barrage with another tying goal 17 seconds after Dahlin’s. The Rangers were coming off 2-1 loss at Toronto on Thursday. Their scheduled Saturday visit to Ottawa was postponed because of a COVID-19 outbreak on the Senators. **Flames 4, Bruins 0:** Former Bruins goalie Dan Vladar stopped 27 shots for his second career shut-out, Andrew Mangiapane scored a short-handed goal early in the third period as Calgary won in Boston.



The Rangers’ Ryan Lindgren, left, celebrates his last-second game-winner with teammate Adam Fox on Sunday night against the Sabres in New York. JOHN MUNSON/AP

NFL

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East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
New England	7	4	0	.636	300	177	2-4-0	5-0-0	5-1-0	2-3-0	2-1-0
Buffalo	6	4	0	.600	295	176	3-2-0	3-2-0	5-4-0	1-0-0	3-0-0
Miami	4	7	0	.364	201	269	2-3-0	2-4-0	4-5-0	0-2-0	2-2-0
N.Y. Jets	2	8	0	.200	178	320	2-3-0	0-5-0	2-6-0	0-2-0	0-4-0

South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Tennessee	8	3	0	.727	291	254	4-2-0	4-1-0	5-2-0	3-1-0	3-1-0
Indianapolis	6	5	0	.545	309	245	3-3-0	3-2-0	5-3-0	1-2-0	2-2-0
Houston	2	8	0	.200	150	271	1-3-0	1-5-0	2-5-0	0-3-0	2-1-0
Jacksonville	2	8	0	.200	159	262	2-4-0	0-4-0	2-5-0	0-3-0	0-3-0

North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Baltimore	7	3	0	.700	247	230	4-1-0	3-2-0	4-3-0	3-0-0	0-1-0
Pittsburgh	5	3	1	.611	177	185	3-2-1	2-1-0	3-2-0	2-1-1	1-1-0
Cincinnati	6	4	0	.600	268	216	2-2-0	4-2-0	4-2-0	2-2-0	2-1-0
Cleveland	6	5	0	.545	244	251	4-2-0	2-3-0	3-4-0	3-1-0	1-1-0

West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Kansas City	7	4	0	.636	281	250	4-2-0	3-2-0	2-4-0	5-0-0	1-1-0
L.A. Chargers	5	4	0	.556	219	228	2-3-0	3-1-0	3-2-0	2-2-0	2-0-0
Denver	5	5	0	.500	200	183	2-3-0	3-2-0	2-4-0	3-1-0	0-1-0
Las Vegas	5	5	0	.500	223	262	3-3-0	2-2-0	4-3-0	1-2-0	1-2-0

ROUNDUP

Colts ride Taylor’s 5 TDs

Associated Press

Jonathan Taylor set a franchise record by scoring five times and took over the NFL lead in both yards rushing and touchdowns as the Colts routed the Bills 41-15 in Orchard Park, New York. Taylor scored three times in the first half, including a 23-yard catch, en route to the first five-TD game in the league this season.

The second-year running back finished with a season-high 185 yards rushing and four rushing TDs and has 1,122 yards this season. Taylor has 15 total TDs.

Taylor topped 100 yards from scrimmage and scored a TD for the eighth consecutive game, matching an NFL record set by Lydell Mitchell of the Colts in 1975-76 and the Chargers’ LaDainian Tomlinson in 2006.

The Colts improved to 6-5, while the Bills fell to 6-4.

Vikings 34, Packers 31: Greg Joseph made a 29-yard FG as time expired to lift the Vikings. Kirk Cousins passed for 341 yards and three TDs for the Vikings. Justin Jefferson had eight receptions for 169 yards and two scores for the Vikings.

Texans 22, Titans 13: QB Tyrod Taylor ran for two TDs and the visiting Texans snapped the league’s longest active skid at eight. The Titans had won six in a row. Desmond King had two of the Texans’ four INTs.

Ravens 16, Bears 13: QB Tyler Huntley led a winning drive capped by Devonta Freeman’s 3-yard run with 22 seconds remaining. Huntley got the start for the Ravens because Lamar Jackson was ruled out 90 minutes before kick-off with an illness. Ravens coach John Harbaugh had said Wednesday that it wasn’t COVID-19. The

host Bears, who lost rookie QB Justin Fields to a rib injury in the third quarter, dropped their fifth straight. **WFT 27, Panthers 21:** Taylor Heinicke threw for 206 yards and three TDs to lead the WFT to the road win. QB Cam Newton, making his first start since returning to the Panthers, threw for 189 yards and two TDs and ran for a 24-yard score.

Eagles 40, Saints 29: Jalen Hurts ran for three TDs, Darius Slay returned an INT for a score and the Eagles cruised to the win. The visiting Saints dropped their third straight since losing QB Jameis Winston to a season-ending ACL injury. **Browns 13, Lions 10:** Nick Chubb caught a TD pass and ran for 130 yards as Browns held on at home. The Lions saw their winless streak reach 14 games. **49ers 30, Jaguars 10:** Jimmy Garoppolo threw two TD

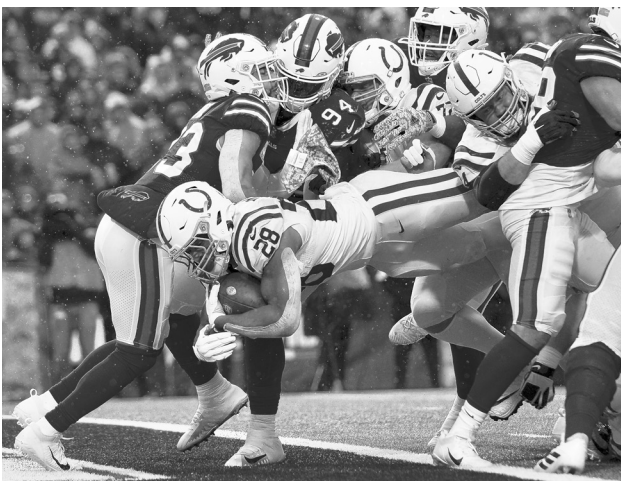
NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Dallas	7	3	0	.700	293	214	4-1-0	3-2-0	2-2-0	5-1-0	2-0-0
Philadelphia	5	6	0	.455	297	260	1-4-0	4-2-0	1-3-0	4-3-0	0-1-0
Washington	4	6	0	.400	212	267	2-3-0	2-3-0	0-4-0	4-2-0	1-0-0
N.Y. Giants	3	6	0	.333	179	216	2-3-0	1-3-0	1-2-0	2-4-0	0-2-0

South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Tampa Bay	6	3	0	.667	279	212	4-0-0	2-3-0	2-0-0	4-3-0	1-1-0
New Orleans	5	5	0	.500	251	218	2-2-0	3-3-0	1-1-0	4-4-0	1-2-0
Carolina	5	6	0	.455	226	220	2-4-0	3-2-0	2-1-0	3-5-0	2-0-0
Atlanta	4	6	0	.400	178	288	1-4-0	3-2-0	2-1-0	2-5-0	1-2-0

North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Green Bay	8	3	0	.727	247	214	4-0-0	4-3-0	2-1-0	6-2-0	2-1-0
Minnesota	5	5	0	.500	255	242	3-2-0	2-3-0	1-3-0	4-2-0	2-0-0
Chicago	3	7	0	.300	163	240	2-3-0	1-4-0	2-3-0	1-4-0	1-1-0
Detroit	0	9	1	.050	160	273	0-4-0	0-5-1	0-3-1	0-6-0	0-3-0

West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Arizona	9	2	0	.818	310	202	3-2-0	6-0-0	4-0-0	5-2-0	4-0-0
L.A. Rams	7	3	0	.700	271	227	3-2-0	4-1-0	2-1-0	5-2-0	1-2-0
San Francisco	5	5	0	.500	246	222	1-4-0	4-1-0	1-1-0	4-4-0	1-3-0
Seattle	3	7	0	.300	194	209	1-4-0	2-3-0	2-2-0	1-5-0	1-2-0



RB Jonathan Taylor set a franchise record with five TDs in the Colts’ 41-15 victory over the Bills on Sunday. ADRIAN KRAUS/AP

passes and the visiting 49ers won for the third time in four games. **Chiefs 19, Cowboys 9:** Clyde Edwards-Helaire ran for 63 yards and a TD in his return from IR and Chris Jones had 3 ½ sacks while forcing and recovering a fumble to lead the Chiefs at home. **Dolphins 24, Jets 17:** Tua Tagovailoa threw a-go-ahead 5-yard TD pass to Myles Gaskin early in the fourth and the visiting Dolphins

earned their third straight victory. **Cardinals 23, Seahawks 13:** Colt McCoy, filling in for injured Kyler Murray, threw for 328 yards and two TDs as the Cardinals earned the road win. **Bengals 32, Raiders 13:** Joe Mixon rushed for 123 yards and scored two TDs as the Bengals earned the road win after their week off. The Raiders lost their third straight.

SUMMARIES

MIAMI 24, N.Y. JETS 17
Miami 7 0 7 10 — 24
N.Y. Jets 7 0 7 3 — 17
First Quarter
Mia: Waddle 1run (Sanders kick), 9:04.
NYJ: Crowder 2pass from Flacco (Ammendola kick), 3:04.
Third Quarter
Mia: Hollins 65pass from Tagovailoa (Sanders kick), 9:19.
NYJ: Moore 62pass from Flacco (Ammendola kick), 3:12.
Fourth Quarter
Mia: Gaskin 5pass from Tagovailoa (Sanders kick), 10:23.
Mia: FG Sanders 24, 1:57.
NYJ: FG Ammendola 35, :15.
A: 72,303.

TEAM STATS	MIA	NYJ
First downs	20	18
Total net yards	388	380
Rushes-yards	33-115	18-102
Passing	273	278
Punt returns	0-0	2-28
Kickoff returns	2-18	4-88
Interceptions ret.	0-0	1-0
Comp-att-int	27-34-1	24-39-0
Sacked-yards lost	0-0	2-13
Punts	4-47.75	4-38.0
Fumbles-lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties-yards	8-62	7-48
Time of possession	33:35	26:25

RUSHING: Miami, Gaskin 23-89, D.Johnson 4-18, Tagovailoa 3-6, Laird 1-4, Waddle 1-1, Wilson 1-(minus 3). **N.Y. Jets,** Carter 9-63, Coleman 5-16, Moore 1-15, T.Johnson 1-5, Flacco 2-3.
PASSING: Miami, Tagovailoa 27-33-1-273, Wilson 0-1-0-0. **N.Y. Jets,** Flacco 24-39-0-291.
RECEIVING: Miami, Waddle 8-65, Gesicki 5-50, Smythe 4-37, Wilson 3-18, Gaskin 3-7, Hollins 2-72, Shaheen 1-19, Laird 1-5. **N.Y. Jets,** Moore 8-141, Crowder 6-44, Griffin 3-39, C.Davis 3-35, Bowden 1-20, T.Johnson 1-8, Carter 1-2, Coleman 1-2.
MISSED FIELD GOALS: Miami, Sanders 32. **N.Y. Jets,** Ammendola 55, Ammendola 40.

PHILADELPHIA 40, NEW ORLEANS 29
New Orleans 0 7 0 22 — 29
Philadelphia 14 13 6 7 — 40
First Quarter
Phi: Hurts 1run (Elliott kick), 7:17.
Phi: Hurts 3run (Elliott kick), 2:02.
Second Quarter
NO: Trautman 18pass from Siemian (Maher kick), 13:01.
Phi: FG Elliott 50, 9:27.
Phi: FG Elliott 37, 4:20.
Phi: Slay 51interception return (Elliott kick), :24.
Third Quarter
Phi: FG Elliott 33, 5:57.
Phi: FG Elliott 47, 2:38.
Fourth Quarter
NO: Callaway 26pass from Siemian (pass failed), 14:49.
NO: Siemian 17run (kick failed), 12:33.
NO: FG Maher 28, 7:14.
Phi: Hurts 24run (Elliott kick), 3:59.
NO: Humphrey 44pass from Siemian (Maher kick), :45.
A: 69,796.

TEAM STATS	NO	PHI
First downs	18	21
Total net yards	323	380
Rushes-yards	22-109	50-242
Passing	214	138
Punt returns	4-29	4-43
Kickoff returns	3-61	3-51
Interceptions ret.	0-0	2-52
Comp-att-int	22-40-2	13-24-0
Sacked-yards lost	0-0	3-4
Punts	6-49.833	5-49.2
Fumbles-lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties-yards	3-25	6-49
Time of possession	22:59	37:01

RUSHING: New Orleans, Ingram 16-88, Siemian 2-16, Washington 1-3, Jones 3-2. **Philadelphia,** Sanders 16-94, Hurts 18-69, Howard 10-63, B.Scott 6-16.
PASSING: New Orleans, Siemian 22-40-2-214. **Philadelphia,** Hurts 13-24-0-147.
RECEIVING: New Orleans, Ingram 6-25, Smith 5-64, Trautman 5-58, Harris 2-11, Callaway 1-26, Vannett 1-20, Washington 1-6, Humphrey 1-4. **Philadelphia,** Goedert 5-62, Smith 4-61, B.Scott 2-2, Arcega-Whiteside 1-23, Reager 1(-1-1).

INDIANAPOLIS 41, BUFFALO 15
Indianapolis 14 10 14 3 — 41
Buffalo 0 7 0 8 — 15
First Quarter
Ind: Taylor 3run (Badgley kick), 8:55.
Ind: Taylor 23pass from Wentz (Badgley kick), 1:38.
Second Quarter
Buf: Diggs 6pass from Allen (Bass kick), 10:44.
Ind: FG Badgley 36, 2:12.
Ind: Taylor 2run (Badgley kick), 1:59.
Third Quarter
Ind: Taylor 10run (Badgley kick), 5:27.
Ind: Taylor 1run (Badgley kick), :58.
Fourth Quarter
Buf: Diggs 9pass from Allen (Allen run), 12:42.
Ind: FG Badgley 35, 6:23.
A: 69,866.

TEAM STATS	IND	BUF
First downs	28	19
Total net yards	370	307
Rushes-yards	46-264	13-91
Passing	106	216
Punt returns	1-7	0-0
Kickoff returns	2-52	7-138
Interceptions ret.	3-43	0-0
Comp-att-int	11-20-0	24-40-3
Sacked-yards lost	0-0	1-12
Punts	1-31.0	1-55.0
Fumbles-lost	1-0	2-1
Penalties-yards	3-30	7-56
Time of possession	37:56	22:04

RUSHING: Indianapolis, Taylor 32-185, Hines 4-31, Wentz 2-18, Jackson 6-12, Pascal 1-9, Ehlinger 1-9. **Buffalo,** Breida 5-51, Allen 2-18, Singletary 3-17, Moss 3-5.
PASSING: Indianapolis, Wentz 11-20-0-106. **Buffalo,** Allen 21-35-2-209, Trubisky 3-5-1-19.
RECEIVING: Indianapolis, Doyle 3-30, Taylor 3-19, Hilton 2-26, Pittman 2-23, Granson 1-8. **Buffalo,** Knox 6-80, Beasley 4-23, Diggs 4-23, Sanders 3-26, Singletary 3-26, Davis 2-27, Breida 1-16, Gilliam 1-7.
MISSED FIELD GOALS: Buffalo, Bass 57, Bass 49.

HOUSTON 22, TENNESSEE 13
Houston 3 9 7 3 — 22
Tennessee 0 0 6 7 — 13
First Quarter
Hou: FG Fairbairn 43, 4:04.
Second Quarter
Hou: FG Fairbairn 24, 13:35.
Hou: T.Taylor 7run (kick failed), 7:43.
Third Quarter
Hou: T.Taylor 5run (Fairbairn kick), 7:00.
Ten: Fitzpatrick 18pass from Tannehill (kick failed), 2:24.
Fourth Quarter
Ten: Firkser 0run (Bullock kick), 7:32.
Hou: FG Fairbairn 37, 3:26.
A: 67,395.

TEAM STATS	HOU	TEN
First downs	15	26
Total net yards	190	420
Rushes-yards	38-83	25-103
Passing	107	317
Punt returns	1-10	4-20
Kickoff returns	1-17	5-88
Interceptions ret.	4-129	0-0
Comp-att-int	14-24-0	35-52-4
Sacked-yards lost	0-0	2-6
Punts	7-43.857	2-40.0
Fumbles-lost	1-0	4-1
Penalties-yards	7-50	5-52
Time of possession	29:38	30:22

RUSHING: Houston, Burkhead 18-40, T.Taylor 6-28, D.Johnson 13-18, Lindsay 1-(minus 3). **Tennessee,** Peterson 9-40, Hilliard 7-35, Foreman 7-25, Tannehill 2-3.
PASSING: Houston, T.Taylor 14-24-0-107. **Tennessee,** Tannehill 35-52-4-323.
RECEIVING: Houston, Conley 4-37, D.Johnson 3-16, Cooks 2-18, Brown 2-10, C.Moore 1-10, N.Collins 1-9, Jordan 1-7. **Tennessee,** Hilliard 8-47, Westbrook 1k-hine 7-107, A.Brown 5-48, Firkser 5-26, Rogers 4-41, Fitzpatrick 3-35, Peterson 2-4, Foreman 1-15.
TACKLES-ASSISTS-SACKS: Houston, King 7-1-0, Grugier-Hill 6-6-0, Blacklock 2-2-1, Martin 1-1-1. **Tennessee,** J.Brown 6-8-0, Simmons 5-0-0, Landry 4-1-0, Byard 3-4-0, Rice 3-4-0.
INTERCEPTIONS: Houston, King 2-25, Grugier-Hill 1-82, Mitchell 1-22.

SAN FRANCISCO 30, JACKSONVILLE 10
San Francisco 3 17 7 3 — 30
Jacksonville 0 3 0 7 — 10
First Quarter
SF: FG Gould 20, 1:55.
Second Quarter
SF: Samuel 25run (Gould kick), 11:24.
SF: Aiyyuk 6pass from Garoppolo (Gould kick), 8:25.
Jac: FG Wright 30, 1:53.
SF: FG Gould 48, :00.
Third Quarter
SF: Kittle 1pass from Garoppolo (Gould kick), 8:49.
Fourth Quarter
SF: FG Gould 45, 5:33.
Jac: J.Robinson 1run (Wright kick), 3:04.
A: 60,268.

TEAM STATS	SF	JAC
First downs	25	14
Total net yards	333	200
Rushes-yards	42-171	16-54
Passing	162	146
Punt returns	1-1	1-0
Kickoff returns	2-80	2-51
Interceptions ret.	0-0	0-0
Comp-att-int	16-22-0	16-25-0
Sacked-yards lost	2-14	3-12
Punts	2-44.0	4-48.25
Fumbles-lost	1-0	2-2
Penalties-yards	1-12	8-56
Time of possession	38:22	21:38

RUSHING: San Francisco, Samuel 8-79, J.Wilson 19-50, Sermon 10-32, Garoppolo 2-6, Lance 3-4. **Jacksonville,** J.Robinson 12-29, Lawrence 3-23, Agnew 1-2.
PASSING: San Francisco, Garoppolo 16-22-0-176. **Jacksonville,** Lawrence 16-25-0-158.
RECEIVING: San Francisco, Aiyyuk 7-85, Kittle 4-34, Sermon 1-23, Samuel 1-15. **J.Wilson** 1-8, Juszczyk 1-7, Jennings 1-4. **Jacksonville,** Shenault 5-50, M.Jones 4-52, Agnew 3-18, J.Robinson 2-9, Austin 1-18, Treadwell 1-11.
MISSED FIELD GOALS: None.

WASHINGTON 27, CAROLINA 21
Washington 0 14 7 6 — 27
Carolina 7 7 0 7 — 21

First Quarter
Car: DJ.Moore 10pass from Newton (Gonzalez kick), 9:39.
Second Quarter
Was: Sims 6pass from Heinicke (Slye kick), 13:34.
Car: Newton 24run (Gonzalez kick), 6:01.
Third Quarter
Was: McLaurin 12pass from Heinicke (Slye kick), :09.
Fourth Quarter
Was: D.Carter 4pass from Heinicke (Slye kick), 9:27.
Fourth Quarter
Car: McCaffrey 27pass from Newton (Gonzalez kick), 10:50.
Was: FG Slye 36, 4:13.
Was: FG Slye 29, 1:50.
A: 73,350.

TEAM STATS	WAS	CAR
First downs	24	18
Total net yards	369	297
Rushes-yards	40-190	21-111
Passing	179	186
Punt returns	0-0	1-10
Kickoff returns	2-53	1-21
Interceptions ret.	0-0	0-0
Comp-att-int	16-22-0	21-27-0
Sacked-yards lost	3-27	1-3
Punts	3-46.333	4-46.25
Fumbles-lost	3-1	1

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
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HALL OF FAME TIP-OFF

No. 6 Purdue rallies from 11 down to beat No. 5 Villanova

By Associated Press

UNCASVILLE — Zach Edey scored 21 points and No. 6 Purdue overcame an 11-point second-half deficit to beat No. 5 Villanova 80-74 on Sunday and win the Hall of Fame Tip-Off Tournament at Mohegan Sun Arena.

The 7-foot-4 center hit nine of his 12 shots and grabbed six rebounds. The team's other post, 6-10 Trevion Williams, added nine points and four boards for the Boilermakers

(5-0), who dominated underneath, outscoring the Wildcats 38-18 in the paint and outrebounding them, 38-26.

"Trevion and Zach is a really good 1-2 punch, and I thought offensively they had an above average game," coach Matt Painter said. "Between them they had 30 and 10, and I thought Trevion's defense when we switched five ways he got down in a stance and was the difference. It doesn't show up in this box score, but it shows up with our staff."

Caleb Furst and Isaiah Thompson each had 12 points for Purdue.

Justin Moore had 19 points, Caleb Daniels added 17 and Collin Gillespie had 14 for Villanova (3-2), which launched 34 attempts from behind the arc, making 13.

The Wildcats led 33-31 at half-time, scored the first five points in the second half and were up 57-46 after a 3-pointer by Daniels.

But Purdue outscored the Wildcats 34-17 over the last nine minutes. "This season, obviously, we've

never been down before. It was something different," Thompson said. "I think we were resilient in the second half. I think we got off to a good start and just maintained our focus. Just go on a run, keep getting aggressive and keep fighting. I think we did that late in the game and it led us to a win."

No. 17 Tennessee 89, No. 18 North Carolina 72: Freshman Zakai Zeigler scored 18 points to lead Tennessee over North Carolina in the consolation game.

Santiago Vescovi added 18 points and nine rebounds for the Vols (3-1), who bounced back from a 71-53 loss to Villanova on Saturday.

Brady Manek hit six 3-pointers and scored 24 points for the Tar Heels (3-2), who fell to Purdue in Saturday's opening round. Armando Bacot had 16 points and 12 rebounds.

North Carolina had won 10 of the previous 11 matchups between the programs, a series that dates to 1911. The Volunteers' last win over the Tar Heels came in 1949.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

No. 2 UConn vs. No. 1 SC preview

By Alexa Philippou
Hartford Courant

PARADISE ISLAND, BAHAMAS — Not even two weeks into the season, the college basketball world will be granted a No. 1 vs. No. 2 matchup when UConn (3-0) faces off against South Carolina in the championship game of the inaugural Battle 4 Atlantis women's tournament Monday at noon.

The last time these two teams met, No. 2 UConn knocked off No. 1 South Carolina at home thanks to Paige Bueckers' dazzling 31-point performance, which included a now-iconic off-balance dagger 3 in overtime. This will be the first of two regular season matchups between the powerhouses (South Carolina will host UConn on Jan. 27), and could very well be a preview of a Final Four or national championship game showdown come spring.

The matchup is so monumental that it's been moved from airing on ESPN2 to ESPN, and the Associated Press decided to delay the release of its weekly poll so that voters could take into account Monday's outcome. The only other time that's been done was when No. 1 Tennessee and No. 2 UConn squared off on Jan. 16, 1995. UConn won that game and earned its first top ranking as a result.

Coach Geno Auriemma said he hasn't had a chance to closely scout South Carolina (5-0), but that "you don't want to watch them play too much because they just have so many ways [to hurt you]."

"Their post players are just so dominant, on both ends. And their guards are super athletic, super quick. And it's a really, really hard team to prepare for, no matter what kind of team you have."

South Carolina returns all 11 players from last season's team, which like UConn fell in the Final Four, brought in a top transfer in Kamilla Cardoso and introduced the top-ranked recruiting class. Its quality wins include a 66-57 defensive slugfest against then-No. 5 NC State and Sunday's 80-63 victory over an injury-riddled No. 9 Oregon.

"This year kind of reminds me back to when they had A'ja Wilson and Alaina Coates," Auriemma

said. "Big kids, really strong inside, really tough. But we had Pheesa [Napheesa Collier], so we could compensate for that. I don't know if we have that this year, so we'll have to find different ways [to win]."

Here's what else you need to know about the matchup:

Site: Atlantis, Paradise Island, Bahamas

Time: Noon

Series: UConn leads, 9-1

Last meeting: No. 2 UConn 63, No. 1 South Carolina 59 (OT), in Storrs, Feb. 8

TV: ESPN (Eric Frede, Carolyn Peck)

Radio: UConn IMG Sports Network on 97.9 ESPN (Bob Joyce, Debbie Fiske)

Other scores: Minnesota 70, Syracuse 63; Buffalo and Oklahoma played late Sunday.

South Carolina probable starters, sixth man

Destanni Henderson, G, 5-7, Sr.; Zia Cooke, G, 5-9, Jr.; Brea Beal, G, 6-1, Jr.; Aliyah Boston, F, 6-5, Jr.; Victaria Saxton, F, 6-2, Sr.; Laeticia Amihere, F, 6-4, Jr.

UConn probable starters, sixth man

Christyn Williams, G, 5-11, Sr.; Olivia Nelson-Ododa, F, 6-5, Sr.; Evina Westbrook, G, 6-0, R-Sr.; Paige Bueckers, G, 5-11, So.; Aaliyah Edwards, F, 6-3, So.; Azzi Fudd, G, 5-11, Fr.

The matchup

UConn's offense: Four players so far have shown capable of having big offensive outbursts: Bueckers, Williams, Westbrook and Fudd. No other Husky has hit double figures in a game so far — a sign that the team's expected depth is still developing.

UConn's defense: After some shaky moments in their first two games, Sunday's performance against USF was a step in the right direction. The Huskies are allowing 63.7 points per game on 38.7% shooting. The unit has yet to face a

team like South Carolina that sports such dominant post players.

South Carolina's offense: The Gamecocks' offense averages 76.4 points per game on 49.8% shooting (39.7% on 3s but they don't take them very often). Boston, Henderson and Cooke each average approximately 13 points per game, and the team excels on the offensive glass. Don't sleep on the likes of Amihere (who scored 18 against Oregon) or Cardoso (who was in triple-double range against Buffalo).

South Carolina's defense: South Carolina holds opponents to 53.2 points per game on 34.1% shooting (25.4% on 3s) and blocks 8.0 shots per game. Its length, physicality and toughness can give other teams fits. No team has scored more than 63 points against the Gamecocks so far.

UConn keys: UConn's posts have had a quiet start to the season. How will they fare guarding and rebounding in the paint against South Carolina's bigs, or as the Gamecocks' guards look to get to the rim? Offensive execution will also be crucial against such a suffocating defense. More likely than not, UConn will have to hit a good number of 3s.

Players to watch: Aside from the posts: Bueckers' heroics lifted UConn over South Carolina last season. The Huskies will no doubt need her to have a good night, but they'll also need Williams and Westbrook on point to give them an edge in the backcourt.

About South Carolina's coach: One of the legendary coaches of the game, Dawn Staley has led the Gamecocks to three Final Four appearances, including a national championship in 2017. She is the first person to win the Naismith award as both a player (at Virginia) and a coach. Staley was named the head coach of the U.S. national team in 2017 and guided the USA to gold in the Tokyo Olympics this past summer.

South Carolina's mascot: Cocky

Famous alumni: NBA Hall of Famer Alex English, football coach Mark Dantonio, TV anchor Rita Cosby

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ily dribbling around.

"They think being a great teammate is not taking too many shots," Auriemma said of Bueckers and Fudd. "And I think being a great teammate is shooting every time you're open when you're a great shooter. For young kids, I think it's somewhat natural at times, to not want to put yourself in that situation. Not everybody's Maya [Moore]. Some kids just take a little bit longer to see it."

"I wish [Fudd] had some of Paige's just kind of play brainless, just kind of play and not worry about the outcome so much [mentality], and I wish Paige had a little bit of Azzi's discipline. But that's why they're so good together. They really complement each other really well."

But more than just a previous game, Fudd did any out and play, finding a groove early and hitting shots when the Huskies were desperate for them. Bueckers found Fudd with a skip pass before the buzzer to put UConn up 18-14 at the end of the first, and her next two 3s early in the second gave UConn its game-high 13-point lead.

Then, when UConn's offense struggled to get going in the second half, Fudd put UConn ahead by five as USF initiated its comeback attempt. She then sank a pair of 3s in the fourth, including one at the beginning of the period that broke the tie and gave the Huskies the lead for good.

Moreover, Fudd started off 4-for-4 from the perimeter.

"[Her teammates] all know it's going in the minute it leaves her hands," Auriemma said. "The only person that really has any idea how to keep Azzi from getting as many shots off as she wants is her. If she decides, like today, 'This is what I'm going to do,' it happens."

Outside of Fudd, the Huskies' offense stalled at times in their biggest test so far. USF's stout defense forced the Huskies to commit nine turnovers by halftime, but Olivia Nelson-Ododa's late free throw sent them into the break with a 34-25 edge.

The Bulls (3-2) stormed out with a 9-2 run to start the third, pulling within two, but Fudd fired off a 3 immediately upon re-entering the game. Bueckers followed up with one of her own off a Dorka Juhász offensive board for the Huskies to get a bit of breathing room at 42-34, but USF answered with an 11-0 run to go ahead by three.

It was the first time UConn trailed all season.

"If we wanted to play teams where we never got challenged, we never got smacked, we never had to come back, find out a little bit of ourselves doing a timeout, then there's no point in being here. So we got exactly what we wanted that game, exactly what we needed," Auriemma said. "This is [USF coach] Jose [Fernandez]'s best team since he's been at South Florida. They're going to win a lot of games. ... That's a better win than people are

going to give it credit for. I was really proud of our guys, especially the way we came out of the timeout after they took the lead."

Bueckers' impressive step-back 3 at the end-of-quarter buzzer tied things at 45 apiece before Fudd sank another 3 to regain a UConn advantage early in the fourth. USF would pull back within three, but Williams' trey made it a six-point game once again, and Fudd's sixth and final 3 extended the lead to nine at the 4:28 mark.

The Bulls didn't get closer than seven the rest of the way.

"For us to battle back and not lay down and sort of take a hit and then throw one back was huge for us," Bueckers said.

While Williams, Bueckers and Evina Westbrook did most of the damage offensively UConn's first two games, Fudd's emergence Sunday may be a sign she's ready to take on a more prominent scoring role moving forward. At the very least, Bueckers won't let her think any differently.

"When anybody has a game where they go 6-for-9 from 3, they're going to gain a lot of confidence," Bueckers said. "I told her before the game, 'I want you to shoot 20 3s this game.' It's just me being in her ear, our teammates being in her ear, giving her confidence and just reassuring her that we need her to shoot, we want her to shoot and tell her to stop overthinking, just shoot."

"She's a freshman. This is only our third game and then I keep reminding myself, this is probably the worst you're ever going to see Azzi," Auriemma added. "So what's that say? She's got chance to be a pretty special player."

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UConn 60, SOUTH FLORIDA 53										
South Florida	M	FG	FT	RB	A	PF	PT			
Tsineke	36	7-20	1-2	7	4	4	17			
Mununga	32	7-12	0-0	8	2	2	15			
Pinzan	38	3-8	0-0	3	6	3	8			
Harvey	34	2-10	0-0	0	3	1	6			
Leverett	32	2-3	0-0	8	1	1	4			
Mendjiadeu Fankam										
	8	1-3	0-0	0	0	2	2			
Alvarez	10	0-3	1-2	2	1	0	1			
Bermejo	8	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0			
Wilson	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0			
Guerreiro	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0			
TOTALS	—	22-59	2-4	34	17	13	53			
Three-point goals: 7-20, 35.0 (Tsineke 2-4, Pinzan 2-4, Harvey 2-7, Mununga 1-2, Alvarez 0-3). FG pct.: 37.3. FT pct.: 50.0. Team rebounds: 6. Turnovers: 11 (Mununga 3, Harvey 3, Team 3, Tsineke, Pinzan). Blocks: 0. Steals: 8 (Tsineke 2, Mununga 2, Harvey 2, Pinzan, Leverett).										
UConn	M	FG	FT	RB	A	PF	PT			
Bueckers	38	8-16	2-2	3	7	0	21			
Williams	34	3-8	2-2	0	0	4	10			
Nelson-Ododa	35	2-3	1-2	5	7	2	5			
Westbrook	31	2-6	0-0	4	3	0	4			
Edwards	17	0-3	0-0	3	0	2	0			
Fudd	27	6-10	0-0	2	1	0	18			
Juhasz	12	1-1	0-0	6	1	0	2			
Muhl	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0			
Ducharme	3	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0			
TOTALS	—	22-47	11-27	29	19	9	60			
Three-point goals: 11-27, 40.7 (Fudd 6-9, Bueckers 3-10, Williams 2-5, Westbrook 0-3). FG pct.: 46.8. FT pct.: 83.3. Team rebounds: 5. Turnovers: 15 (Williams 5, Bueckers 3, Nelson-Ododa 2, Fudd 2, Westbrook, Juhasz, Team). Blocks: 3 (Bueckers, Nelson-Ododa, Fudd). Steals: 4 (Bueckers, Nelson-Ododa, Westbrook, Ducharme).										
South Florida	14	11	20	8	—	53				
UConn	18	16	11	15	—	60				
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potentially," Hurley said.

As the games get tougher, Hawkins could play a pivotal role down the stretch.

Andre Jackson's growing confidence

Jackson had two good back-to-back games against LIU and Binghamton. In the game against LIU, the sophomore guard had four points, five rebounds, three blocks and two steals in just 26 minutes. Against Binghamton, Jackson had nine points, eight rebounds and three assists.

His energy has been important, as UConn has struggled early in games offensively.

"It was all about energy and the integrity on defense," said Hurley. "He was just all over the court. I mean, that's like his superpower:"

The lows

UConn's slow offensive starts

On Saturday, the Huskies followed a worrying trend and started slow offensively yet again. UConn struggled to score against LIU early on, and it was much of the same against Binghamton.

Hurley called out a couple of his starters after the game against the Bearcats.

"A couple of our starters, Isaiah [Whaley], because he is hurt, and Adama [Sanogo] hasn't been locked in the last two games. ... R.J. [Cole] is an All-Big East-level performer. ... We need him to be better than that," Hurley said.

Adama Sanogo's struggles

Sanogo hasn't had been the dominant force many expected him to be in these past few games. In the game against LIU, he put up 11 points and six rebounds on 3-for-7 shooting. The sophomore forward didn't

fare much better against Binghamton. He put up 12 points and five rebounds on 6-for-11 shooting.

"Adama [Sanogo] hasn't been locked in the last two games," said Hurley.

Let's see if he can focus in as the opponents get tougher.

Defense slipping in second half

The Huskies have built their reputation on defense, and for one half on Saturday, they lived up to it.

In the first half, UConn's defense caused severe problems for Binghamton's offense. The Huskies forced six turnovers and held the Bearcats to just 9-for-32 (28.1%) shooting. In the second half, their defensive focus seemed to slip as they allowed 41 points to the Bearcats on 15-for-32 shooting.

"We were in all the wrong spots defensively," Hurley said Saturday.

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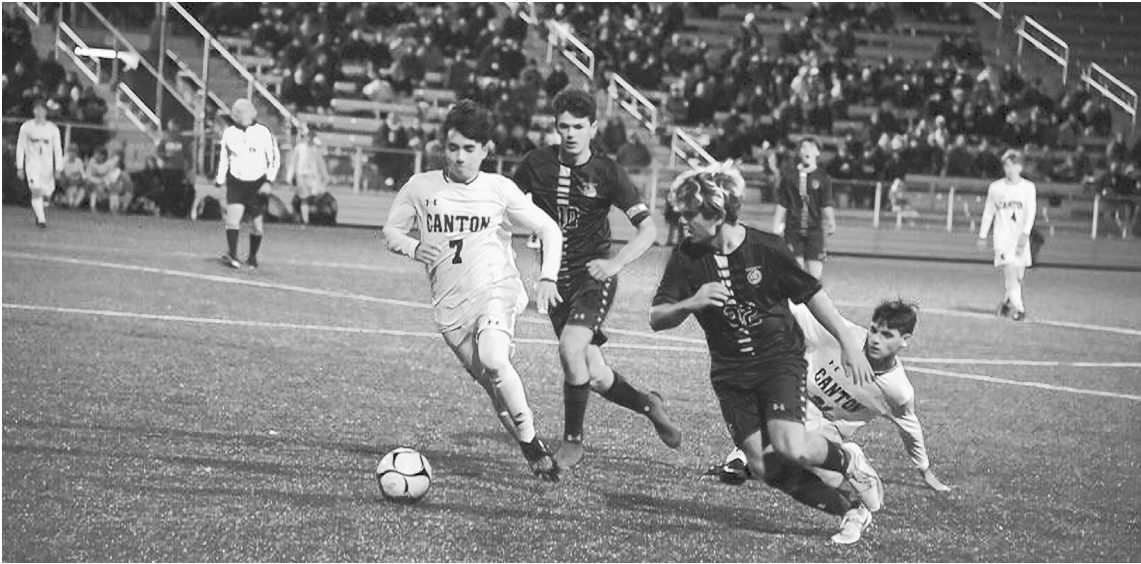
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BOYS SOCCER

Old Saybrook wins Class S title in overtime over Canton

By Lori Riley
Hartford Courant

HARTFORD — This was not Steve Waters’ first championship, nor was it a first for some of his Old Saybrook players, who won Class S boys soccer titles in 2018 and 2019. But it was still special, the Rams’ 4-1 overtime win over Canton in the rain Sunday night in the Class S final in front of 1,418 fans at Dillon Stadium. It was Old Saybrook’s third straight overtime game. It was the Rams’ second straight overtime win in the rain, after they beat Somers 5-3 in overtime in the semi-finals in a downpour Thursday in New Britain. “Hey, we’ve been here before,” said Old Saybrook senior Cam D’Angelo, who was named the game’s MVP. “It’s what we’re used to. We’re used to overtime in the rain.” It was Waters’ 10th championship, after winning nine in his 36-year career at Farmington and retiring, then returning to Old



Canton’s London Abbott dribbles down the field against Old Saybrook Sunday night. COURTESY PHOTO

Saybrook — where he was an assistant early in his career — first as an assistant and then as head coach in 2020. He became the state’s all-time winningest boys soccer coach in September with 566 wins. His team finished 19-0-3. “It was a battle,” Waters said. “Canton came out great. They had some great performances by players. What helped us was our fitness level. It showed through the

Somers game and this game. I only played 13 players.” On Sunday, D’Angelo scored with 12:26 left in the first half to put second-seeded Old Saybrook up 1-0. Canton’s Spencer Mix tied it in the second half. Bradley Kulmann scored with 8:03 left in the first overtime period, then Old Saybrook added goals from Kevin DeCapua and another from Kulmann with 31 seconds left in the second overtime period. “It’s crazy,” D’Angelo said. “We’ve been practicing all season for this. From day one, we knew this is where we wanted to be. We got here. It’s a big stage. Nice stadium. Good team we played. “They played really, really well. Our defense stayed in it. We kept our heads after they scored and tied it. We fought back and put a few more in the net and we won.”

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Simsbury’s Charlotte Roberts (19) tries to keep control of the ball during the Class L girls soccer state championship game against St. Joseph at Dillon Stadium. St. Joseph won, 2-0. PHOTOS BY CLOE POISSON / SPECIAL TO THE COURANT

GIRLS SOCCER

Northwest Catholic loses Class S final with close loss to Holy Cross

Simsbury falls to St. Joseph in Class L

By Lori Riley
Hartford Courant

The Northwest Catholic girls were the 24th seed in the Class S soccer tournament, but the Lions didn’t let that stop them. Northwest defeated ninth-seeded Immaculate, No. 8 Housatonic, 17th seed Lyman Memorial and then No. 12 Coginchaug in the semifinal to make it to the final day of the tournament. But the Lions were finally stalled in the championship game, losing to 2019 champion Holy Cross 3-2 at Dillon Stadium in Hartford. The Lions (10-9-2) put up a fight. After going down 3-0 to second-seeded Holy Cross, Northwest rallied in the second half, with Emily Nicholas scoring the first goal with 17:38 left and Alexia Lilly the second with 12:21 left. “We have never been a first-half team,” Northwest coach Shelby Carr said. “We were going to come into the second half in our domain. For us to be able to turn it on and keep driving, when we had so many moments against us, to be scored on three times, to spark that fire was a huge turning point.”

Simsbury falls to St. Joseph in Class L

The Simsbury girls soccer team advanced to the Class L champi-



Simsbury’s Grace Myers battles with St. Joseph’s Maddigan Leiffer in the Class L girls soccer championship at Dillon Stadium. St. Joseph won, 2-0.

onship game after beating E.O. Smith on penalty kicks but lost to top-seeded St. Joseph in the final 2-0 Sunday at Dillon Stadium. Sara Parker and Alexa Pino scored in the second half for St.

“We’ve had such a fantastic season,” Simsbury coach Steve Jarvis said. “I couldn’t be more proud of the team. They’ve inspired another generation of Simsbury soccer players. “We tried our best, and it wasn’t good enough today. We lost against the best team in the state.”

Aislin Farris wins State Open backstroke

Enfield senior Aislin Farris, who qualified for the Olympic trials in the 200 meter backstroke, won the 100-yard backstroke in 56.38 seconds at the State Open swim championships Sunday at Cornerstone Aquatic Center in West Hartford. Farris also finished third in the 200 IM (2:02.48). Glastonbury junior Avery Kudlac won the 200 free (1:52.25) and finished second in the 100 fly (55.66). Her sister Riley Kudlac finished second in the 100 free (51.49) and third in the 50 free (23.53). Hall’s Jacqueline Fox was the runner-up in the 100 backstroke (56.25). Adriana Mieses-Sanchez of Windsor finished second in the State Open diving (456.95 points) last week. Greenwich won the team title with 505.5 points, with Darien second (377) and Glastonbury third (364.5).

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REGIONAL DIGEST
UConn tops UMass Lowell to split men’s hockey series

By Staff Reports

The UConn men’s hockey team scored twice in the second period and held on to defeat UMass Lowell 2-1 on Sunday afternoon at the XL Center in Hartford to split the weekend home-and-home Hockey East series. Ryan Wheeler scored 26 seconds into the second period, assisted by Kevin O’Neil and Jachym Kondelik. Jake Flynn made it 2-0 8:20 into the period, with assists from Ryan Tverberg and Marc Gatcomb. Lee Andre scored unassisted for Lowell with 3:09 left in the second to cap the scoring.

Middlebury wins title

Top-ranked Middlebury won its fourth consecutive Division III field hockey championship with a 4-1 victory over second-ranked Johns Hopkins at Trinity College in Hartford. Middlebury has won 30 in a row, including 22-0 this season, and has won 16 consecutive NCAA tournament games. The Blue Jays scored with three minutes left to avert the shutout. Johns Hopkins (22-1) eliminated Trinity in the semifinals Saturday with a 1-0 victory.

Sacred Heart vs. Holy Cross in FCS playoffs

Northeast Conference football champion Sacred Heart University (8-3) will open the FCS playoffs Saturday at noon against Holy Cross in Worcester. The Pioneers are led by their defense. They rank first in FCS in passing defense, only allowing 113.1 passing yards per game. SHU has the No. 5 scoring defense and ranks seventh in total defense.

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Thomas Brodowicz, one of the few juniors on the roster, had another goal to put the Eagles up 2-0. Twenty-one seconds later, Fitch came right back with a goal by Douglas Cardona. Tata, who was named the game’s MVP and has committed to Central Connecticut, gave Wethersfield a cushion when he scored on a breakaway with 12:10 left. Giankarlos DeJesus added one more goal on a penalty kick seven minutes later. Fitch’s goal was the lone goal allowed by the Wethersfield defense throughout the tournament. “The strength of our team is in the back, and we’ve been putting up shutouts the whole tournament,” Jachym said. “[Fitch] was dangerous on free kicks; we let up one, but we did pretty good. We shut them down pretty good, especially in the second half.” Wethersfield lost two of its last three regular season games. But then the Eagles tied Hall 0-0 in the last regular season game. Hall lost to eventual Class LL champion Farmington on penalty kicks in the tournament quarterfinals. “Our last game we played Hall and we had a nice tie coming into the postseason,” Tata said. “That’s basically what gave us all the confidence.”

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SCOREBOARD

NHL									
EASTERN CONFERENCE									
ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA		
Florida	18	13	2	3	29	71	47		
Toronto	19	12	6	1	25	48	45		
Tampa Bay	17	10	4	3	23	55	52		
Detroit	20	8	9	3	19	54	67		
Boston	14	9	5	0	18	46	39		
Buffalo	17	7	8	2	16	49	54		
Montreal	20	5	13	2	12	44	70		
Ottawa	15	4	10	1	9	36	52		
METRO.	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA		
Carolina	16	14	2	0	28	56	32		
Washington	18	11	2	5	27	62	39		
N.Y. Rangers	18	11	4	3	25	51	51		
Philadelphia	16	8	5	3	19	43	44		
New Jersey	16	8	5	3	19	48	49		
Columbus	15	9	6	0	18	50	47		
Pittsburgh	17	7	6	4	18	51	51		
N.Y. Islanders	14	5	7	2	12	31	44		

WESTERN CONFERENCE									
CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA		
Minnesota	18	11	6	1	23	64	59		
Winnipeg	17	9	4	4	22	54	45		
St. Louis	17	9	6	2	20	56	47		
Nashville	17	9	7	1	19	47	48		
Colorado	14	8	5	1	17	54	44		
Dallas	16	7	7	2	16	43	51		
Chicago	17	5	10	2	12	39	58		
Arizona	18	3	13	2	8	32	68		
PACIFIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA		
Edmonton	17	13	4	0	26	68	50		
Calgary	18	10	5	3	25	59	36		
Anaheim	18	10	5	3	23	61	48		
Vegas	18	11	7	0	22	57	54		
Los Angeles	17	8	7	2	18	46	44		
San Jose	17	8	8	1	17	44	50		
Vancouver	18	6	10	2	14	46	61		
Seattle	17	4	12	1	9	47	66		

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
Tampa Bay 5, Minnesota 4 (SO)
N.Y. Rangers 5, Buffalo 4
Calgary at Boston, late
Toronto at N.Y. Islanders, late
Chicago at Vancouver, late
Washington at Seattle, late
Arizona at Los Angeles, late

MONDAY'S GAMES
Columbus at Buffalo, 7p.m.
Anaheim at Nashville, 8p.m.
Vegas at St. Louis, 8p.m.
Ottawa at Colorado, 8:30p.m.
Pittsburgh at Winnipeg, 8:30p.m.
Carolina at San Jose, 10:30p.m.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Carolina 5, Los Angeles 4
New Jersey 5, Tampa Bay 3
Florida 5, Minnesota 4
Pittsburgh 2, Toronto 0
Boston 5, Philadelphia 2
Calgary 5, N.Y. Islanders 2
Montreal 6, Nashville 3
Arizona 2, Detroit 1 (OT)
Dallas 4, St. Louis 1
Edmonton 5, Chicago 2
Vegas 3, Columbus 2
Washington 4, San Jose 0
N.Y. Rangers at Ottawa, ppd

ODDS			
NBA FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG	
at Cleveland	off (off)	Brooklyn	
at Washington	4 (21½)	Charlotte	
at Boston	off (off)	Houston	
at Atlanta	11 (212)	Okl. City	
at New Orleans	2 (off)	Minnesota	
at Chicago	3 (208)	Indiana	
at Milwaukee	off (off)	Orlando	
Phoenix	5½ (219)	at San Antonio	
at Utah	off (off)	Memphis	
at Sacramento	off (off)	Philadelphia	

NHL FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG	LINE
Columbus	-116	at Buffalo	-104
at St. Louis	-152	Vegas	+129
at Nashville	-150	Anaheim	+128
at Colorado	-341	Ottawa	+264
at Winnipeg	-118	Pittsburgh	+102
Carolina	-151	at San Jose	-127

COLLEGE BASKETBALL FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG	MONDAY FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
Wichita State	3½ (129)	at UNLV	Rice	5½ (135)	at Evansville
at Toledo	3 (139½)	at Charlotte	Kent State	2 (144)	at J. Madison
at Vermont	3½ (131)	Oakland	at Wisconsin	2 (121½)	Texas A&M
Wright State	8 (146)	at Geo. Wash.	at Nicholls St.	7½ (133)	Cal Poly
at Houston	10 (123)	Butler	Akron	10 (132)	at Fordham
at Murray St.	4 (135½)	ETSU	at Jacksonville St	6½ (126)	Valparaiso
Ohio State	E (139)	at Seton Hall	at Penn State	14 (140½)	Cornell
at Illinois	10½ (139)	Cincinnati	Harvard	5½ (137)	at Siena
at Richmond	10½ (146)	Hofstra	at Virginia	9½ (127½)	Georgia
at FAU	2½ (138½)	Troy	at Dakota St.	2½ (132)	at Nevada
at Delaware	1½ (136)	Appalach. St.	at Oklahoma St.	18 (151)	Cleveland St.
at LSU	6½ (156½)	Belmont	Missouri St.	12½ (152)	at Cal
Florida	11½ (128)	at Cal	at Iowa	3 (147½)	W. Michigan
at Duke	25 (150)	The Citadel	Arkansas	8½ (140)	at Kansas St.
at Grand Canyon	3 (134)	Wyoming	Kansas City	1 (124)	at Idaho St.
at UTEP	5 (131½)	JUC Riverside	at UTEP	1 (137½)	JUC Riverside
Northwestern	15 (152)	at Providence	George Mason	2½ (139½)	at Wash.
at Pacific	23½ (133)	Chicago St.	at TCU	1 (142½)	Santa Clara
at Gonzaga	29½ (153½)	C. Michigan	at USC	25½ (148)	Duke State
at Notre Dame	1½ (135)	St. Mary's	at Fresno State	4½ (137)	Pepperdine

COLLEGE FOOTBALL FAVORITE	SP	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Ball State	6½ (58½)	Buffalo	
W. Michigan	3½ (63)	at N. Illinois	
Fresno State	7½ (53)	at San Jose St.	
at Mississippi	1 (60½)	Mississippi	
at Texas	2 (52)	Kansas State	
Ohio	5 (48½)	at Bowl Green	
at C. Michigan	12 (64)	E. Michigan	
Boise State	3 (43½)	at San Diego St.	
Utah State	16 (49½)	at N. Mexico	
at Nebraska	3½ (45)	Iowa	
at UAB	13½ (50)	UTEP	
at UCF	18 (62½)	S. Florida	
at Cincinnati	14 (58½)	at E. Carolina	
at Arkansas	14 (62½)	Missouri	
at Air Force	17½ (49½)	UNLV	
Coa. Carolina	14½ (57)	at S. Alabama	
at Utah	23½ (52½)	Colorado	
at Iowa State	14½ (59)	TCU	
at NC State	6½ (63)	N. Carolina	
Washington St.	1½ (43½)	at Washington	

Navy	13½	(42½)	at Temple
Oho State	7½	(64)	at MICHIGAN
Maryland	1½	(53)	at Rutgers
at Florida	2	(59)	Florida State
at Baylor	14½	(51½)	Texas Tech
at Kent State	5½	(54½)	Miami
Georgia	3½	(54½)	at Ga. Tech
Houston	32½	(57½)	at UConn
at Liberty	3½	(54)	Army
Wake Forest	4½	(64½)	at Bos. Coll.
at Toledo	27½	(58½)	Akron
at Oregon	21½	(58½)	at Oregon
Louisiana Tech	3½	(52½)	at Rice
at Georgia St.	6½	(49½)	Troy
UTSA	12	(59½)	at n.A. Texas
at Old Dominion	10	(56)	Charlotte
at Appal. St.	24½	(55½)	Ga. Southern
at N.C. State	10	(56½)	UConn
at So. Miss	10	(45½)	FIU
at Wyoming	10	(47)	Hawaii
at Illinois	6½	(42½)	Northwestern
at Michigan St.	1½	(53)	Penn State
at Oregon	7	(52½)	Oregon
at Purdue	15	(50½)	Indiana
Alabama	19½	(55)	at Auburn
at Marshall	1	(75½)	W. Kentucky
at Tennessee	3½	(62½)	Vanderbilt
at Virginia	2½	(62½)	Va. Tech
at Georgia Tech	20	(52½)	at Virginia
Wisconsin	6½	(39)	at Minnesota
at SMU	6½	(62)	Tulsa
West A&M	6½	(45½)	at LSU
West Virginia	15	(55½)	at Kansas
at Oklahoma	5½	(50)	Mid Tenn.
at Memphis	3½	(51½)	Oklahoma
at Louisville	2	(57)	Kentucky
Clemson	11½	(43)	at S. Carolina
Pittsburgh	10½	(58½)	at Syracuse
Notre Dame	17	(52)	at Stanford
at UCLA	7	(57½)	California
BYU	7	(64)	at USC

NBA				
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT	GB
Brooklyn	12	5	.706	—
New York	9	7	.563	2½
Boston	9	8	.529	3
Philadelphia	9	8	.529	3
Toronto	8	9	.471	4
SOUTHEAST	W	L	PCT	GB
Washington	11	5	.688	—
Miami	11	6	.647	½
Charlotte	10	8	.556	2
Atlanta	8	9	.471	3½
Orlando	4	13	.235	7½
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB
Chicago	11	5	.688	—
Cleveland	9	8	.529	2½
Milwaukee	9	8	.529	2½
Indiana	7	11	.389	5
Detroit	4	12	.250	7

WESTERN CONFERENCE				
SOUTHWEST	W	L	PCT	GB
Dallas	9	7	.563	—
Memphis	8	8	.500	1
San Antonio	4	11	.267	4½
New Orleans	3	15	.167	7
Houston	1	15	.063	8
NORTHWEST	W	L	PCT	GB
Utah	11	5	.688	—
Denver	9	7	.563	2
Portland	9	8	.529	2½
Minnesota	7	9	.438	4
Oklahoma City	6	10	.375	5
PACIFIC	W	L	PCT	GB
Golden State	14	2	.875	—
Phoenix	12	3	.800	1½
L.A. Clippers	10	7	.588	4½
L.A. Lakers	9	9	.500	6
Sacramento	6	11	.353	8½

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
L.A. Clippers 97, Dallas 91
L.A. Lakers 121, Detroit 116
Denver at Phoenix, late
New York at Chicago, late
Toronto at Golden State, late

MONDAY'S GAMES
Brooklyn at Cleveland, 7p.m.
Charlotte at Washington, 7p.m.
Houston at Boston, 7:30p.m.
Oklahoma City at Atlanta, 7:30p.m.
Indiana at Chicago, 8p.m.
Minnesota at New Orleans, 8p.m.
Orlando at Milwaukee, 8p.m.
Phoenix at San Antonio, 8:30p.m.
Memphis at Utah, 9p.m.
Philadelphia at Sacramento, 10p.m.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
New York 106, Houston 99
Indiana 111, New Orleans 94
Washington 103, Miami 100
Boston 111, Oklahoma City 105
Atlanta 115, Charlotte 105
Milwaukee 117, Orlando 108
Minnesota 138, Memphis 95
Portland 118, Philadelphia 111
Utah 123, Sacramento 105

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

MEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED
No. 1 Gonzaga (4-0) did not play. Next: vs. Central Michigan, Monday.
No. 2 UCLA (4-0) did not play. Next: vs. Bellarmine, Monday.
No. 3 Kansas (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. North Texas, Thursday.
No. 4 Michigan (3-1) vs. Arizona. Next: vs. Tarleton St., Wednesday.
No. 5 Villanova (3-2) lost to No. 6 Purdue 80-74. Next: vs. La Salle, Nov. 28.
No. 6 Purdue (5-0) beat No. 5 Villanova 80-74. Next: vs. Omaha, Friday.
No. 7 Duke (5-0) did not play. Next: vs. Citadel, Monday.
No. 8 Texas (3-1) did not play. Next: vs. California Baptist, Wednesday.
No. 9 Baylor (3-0) did not play. Next: Arizona St., Wednesday.
No. 10 Illinois (2-1) did not play. Next: vs. Cincinnati, Monday.
No. 11 Memphis (4-0) did not play. Next: at Virginia Tech, Wednesday.
No. 12 Oregon (2-1) did not play. Next: at Chaminade, Monday.
No. 13 Kentucky (3-1) did not play. Next: vs. Albany, Monday.
No. 14 Alabama (4-0) did not play. Next: at Iona, Thursday.
No. 15 Houston (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Butler, Monday.
No. 16 Arkansas (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Kansas St., Monday.
No. 17 Tennessee (3-1) beat No. 18 N. Carolina 89-72. Next: vs. Tenn Tech, Friday.
No. 18 N. Carolina (3-2) lost to No. 17 Tennessee 89-72. Next: vs. UNC Asheville, Tue.
No. 19 Ohio St. (3-1) did not play. Next: at Seton Hall, Monday.
No. 20 Maryland (4-1) did not play. Next: at Richmond, Thursday.
No. 21 Auburn (3-0) did not play. Next: at No. 23 UConn, Wednesday.
No. 22 Bonaventure (4-0) vs. Marquette. Next: vs. N. Iowa, Saturday.
No. 23 UConn (4-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 21 Auburn, Wednesday.
No. 24 Florida (3-0) did not play. Next: at California, Monday.
No. 25 Southern Cal (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Dixie St., Monday.

SUNDAY'S SCORES
EAST
Boston U. 76, N. Illinois 58
Bryant 78, Holy Cross 62
Marshall 80, Jackson St. 66
Penn 71, Old Dominion 63
SOUTH
Air Force 73, Bethune-Cookman 65
Boise St. 60, Mississippi 50
Georgia St. 74, High Point 66
Mississippi 66, Morehead St. 46
Navy 77, Furman 66
Southern Miss. 82, Lamar 75
Temple 75, Elon 58
Tennessee 89, North Carolina 72
UAB 86, Alabama A&M 41
UT Martin 77, North Dakota 72
Virginia Tech 72, Merrimack 43
W. Carolina 64, Longwood 53
MIDWEST
Ball State 89, UMass 86
Denver 74, Houston Baptist 61
Nebraska 82, Southern U. 59
Niagara 58, Youngstown St. 53
Princeton 81, Oregon St. 80
Purdue 80, Villanova 74
South Dakota 83, Tennessee St. 66
St. Thomas 86, SIU-Edwardsville 73
Xavier 88, Norfolk St. 48
Sam Houston St. 77, UALR 59
Texas A&M 77, UTSA 58
Utah St. 73, Oklahoma 70
Weber St. 68, Green Bay 58

WOMEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED
No. 1 South Carolina (5-0) beat No. 9 Oregon 80-63. Next: vs. Elon, Friday.
No. 2 UConn (3-0) beat No. 23 South Florida 60-53. Next: at Seton Hall Dec. 3.
No. 3 Maryland (4-0) beat No. 6 Baylor 79-76. Next: vs. No. 5 NC State, Thu.
No. 4 Indiana (4-0) did not play. Next: at No. 7 Stanford, Thursday.
No. 5 NC State (4-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 3 Maryland, Thursday.
No. 6 Baylor (3-1) lost to No. 3 Maryland 79-76. Next: vs. Fordham, Thursday.
No. 7 Stanford (3-1) beat Gonzaga 66-62. Next: vs. No. 4 Indiana, Thursday.
No. 8 Iowa (4-0) vs. Drake, canceled. Next: vs. Seton Hall, canceled.
No. 9 Oregon (3-1) lost to No. 1 S. Carolina 80-63. Next: vs. UC-Davis, Dec. 1.
No. 10 Louisville (3-1) did not play. Next: at Cal Poly, Tuesday.
No. 11 Arizona (4-0) did not play. Next: Vanderbilt, Thursday.
No. 12 Texas (3-1) lost No. 16 Tennessee 74-70. Next: vs. CS Northridge, Sat.
No. 13 Michigan (4-0) did not play. Next: vs. Oakland, Monday.
No. 14 Iowa St. (4-0) beat Southern U 96-55. Next: vs. Charlotte, Friday.
No. 15 Oregon St. (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 13 Michigan, Friday.
No. 16 Tennessee (4-0) beat No. 12 Texas 74-70. OT. Next: Okla. St., Sat.
No. 17 Florida St. (4-0) beat Grambling 76-53. Next: vs. BYU, Thursday.
No. 18 Georgia Tech (4-1) lost to Auburn 59-51. Next: vs. Hofstra, Wed.
No. 19 Kentucky (3-1) beat Winthrop 92-47. Next: vs. La Salle, Saturday.
No. 20 UCLA (3-0) beat Virginia 69-57. Next: vs. Kent St., Friday.
No. 21 Ohio St. (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Bellarmine, Tuesday.
No. 22 West Virginia (3-0) beat Radford 83-31. Next: vs. Purdue, Thursday.
No. 23 South Florida (3-2) lost to No. 2 UConn 60-52. Next: vs. Stanford, Friday.
No. 24 Texas A&M (4-0) did not play. Next: Pittsburgh, Thursday.
No. 25 Virginia Tech (5-0) did not play. Next: vs. Missouri St., Friday.

TENNIS

NITTO ATP FINALS
Sunday at Pala AlpitourTurin, Italy, indoors-hardcourt
MEN'S SINGLES, CHAMPIONSHIP
#3 Alexander Zverev d.
#2 Daniil Medvedev, 6-4, 6-4.
MEN'S DOUBLES, CHAMPIONSHIP
Nicolas Mahut/Pierre-Hugues Herbert d. Rajeve Ram/Joe Salisbury, 6-4, 7-6 (0)

WTA MONTEVIDEO OPEN
Sunday at Carrasco Lawn Tennis Club, Montevideo, Uruguay, red clay
WOMEN'S SINGLES, CHAMPIONSHIP
#5 Diane Parry d. #3 Panna Udvardy, 6-3, 6-2.

SOCCER

MLS PLAYOFFS
EAST FIRST ROUND
Nov. 20: #2 Phi. 1, #7 NY Red Bulls 0, ET
Sunday: #4 NYCFC 2, #5 Atlanta 1
Tue: #3 Nashville vs. #6 Orlando, 8 p.m.
WEST FIRST ROUND
Nov. 20: #3 SKC 3, #6 Vancouver 1
Sun.: #4 Portland 3, #5 Minnesota 1
Tue.: #2 Seattle vs. #7 Salt Lake, 10:30 p.m.

EAST CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
Nov. 28: Nas/Orl vs. #7 Phila., 5:30 p.m.
Nov. 30: #1 NE vs. #4 NYCFC, 7:30 p.m.
WEST CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
Thu: #1 Colo. vs. #4 Portland, 4:30 p.m.
Nov. 28: #3 SKC vs. Sea/Salt Lake, TBA

ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE							
CLUB	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	PT
Chelsea	12	9	2	1	30	4	29
Man City	12	8	2	2	25	6	26
Liverpool	12	7	4	1	35	11	25
West Ham	12	7	2	3	23	14	23
Arsenal	12	6	2	4	13	20	17
Wolverhampton	12	6	1	5	12	12	19
Tottenham	12	6	1	5	11	17	19
Man United	12	5	2	5	20	21	17
Brighton	12	4	5	3	12	14	17
Crystal Palace	12	4	3	7	2	18	16
Everton	12	4	3	5	16	19	15
Leicester	12	4	3	5	16	21	15
Sheff Wed	12	3	5	4	11	16	14
Brentford	12	4	4	4	16	17	13
Aston Villa	12	4	1	7	16	20	13
Watford	12	4	1	7	16	20	13
Leeds	12	2	5	5	12	20	11
Burnley	12	1	6	5	14	20	9
Norwich	12	2	2	8	7	27	8
Newcastle	12	0	6	6	15	27	6
SUNDAY'S RESULTS							
Man City 3, Everton 0							
Tottenham 2, Leeds 1							

NATIONAL SPORTS REPORT

SHORTS

Struggling Kings fire Walton as coach



The Kings fired coach Luke Walton on Sunday after getting off to a disappointing start in his third season in charge. Walton was informed of the decision a day after a 123-105 home loss to the Jazz that dropped the Kings to 6-11 on the season. “After a thorough evaluation of the season thus far, I decided to make a change to the head coach position,” Kings GM Monte McNair said in a statement. Walton had a 68-93 record in two-plus seasons as coach, failing to get the Kings back to the playoffs for the first time since the 2005-06 season. Associate coach Alvin Gentry takes over on an interim basis. Gentry most recently served as head coach for the Pelicans (2015-20). He has also had head coaching stops with the Heat, Pistons, Clippers and Suns. He has a career record of 510-595. The Kings ranked near the bottom of the league in several defensive statistics under Walton’s leadership, including scoring and shooting percentage. The Kings have been at the bottom of the league for years, with their current 15-year stretch without a playoff berth tied for the longest in NBA history.

Strong finish: Ko LPGA player of year



Facing high stakes against her toughest opponent, Jin Young Ko delivered a performance that was close to perfect Sunday to win the richest prize in women’s golf and overtake Nelly Korda for LPGA player of the year. Ko opened with a 25-foot birdie putt and never looked back at the Tour Championship in Naples, Florida. She shot 30 on the front nine and closed with the low round of the tournament at 9-under 63 for a one-shot victory over Nasa Hataoka of Japan. This title brought big spoils, beyond the \$1.5 million to the winner. The 26-year-old South Korean had to win the tournament to claim the points-based LPGA player of the year, the second time in three years Ko has won the award. Korda’s big year of becoming a major champion and Olympic gold medalist ended with a thud. She never a serious factor when Ko pulled away on the back nine. The 23-year-old American closed with a 69 and tied for fifth, six shots behind. Ko, who finished at 23-under 265 for her 12th career victory, won five of her last nine tournaments and became the first five-time winner on the LPGA since 2016.

Zverev secures 2nd ATP Finals title



Audacious swinging volley winners. Serve-and-volleying. An ace out wide on his first match point — with his second serve. Alexander Zverev showed off new, more aggressive, tactics in a dominant 6-4, 6-4 win over second-ranked Daniil Medvedev on Sunday in Turin, Italy, to lift the trophy at the ATP Finals for the second time. A day after beating top-ranked Novak Djokovic over three sets in the semifinals, the third-ranked German raised his game to a new dimension. “It was definitely a game plan,” Zverev said. “He’s one of the best baseline players in the world, and against him you need to take control over the points.” It was a similar approach to how Djokovic beat Medvedev in the Paris Masters final earlier this month, when the Serb attacked the net more often than usual. Medvedev, the U.S. Open champion, won this event last year and had beaten Zverev five consecutive times. The title culminates quite a year for Zverev, who also won gold at the Tokyo Olympics and who has now finished 2021 with more wins on tour — 59, one more than Medvedev — than anyone else. —AP



Collin Morikawa poses with the Race to Dubai and DP World Tour Championship trophies Sunday. ANDREW REDINGTON/GETTY

GOLF

He’s the guest of honor

Morikawa 1st American to finish atop Euro Tour

By Steve Douglas
Associated Press

British Open champion, Ryder Cup winner and now the first American to finish a season as the European Tour’s No. 1 player. It’s been quite the year for Collin Morikawa. The 24-year-old Californian demonstrated patience after a slow start and then world-class iron play down the stretch in making five birdies in his last seven holes to overhaul a fading Rory McIlroy and win the DP World Tour Championship with a final-round 6-under 66 on Sunday. With the three-shot victory, Morikawa also captured the Race to Dubai title as the leading points scorer on the European Tour in the 2021 season. “It’s an honor to be the first American to do that, to put my name against many, many greats and Hall of Famers,” Morikawa said. “It’s special. I get touched up just talking about that. “To close it out not just with a top 10 but to actually win ... what a great way to finish.” McIlroy, seeking back-to-back titles after victory at the CJ Cup on the PGA Tour last month, started the final round with a one-stroke lead — three clear of Morikawa. Morikawa finished on 17 under par for the tournament. By winning two of his first eight majors, Morikawa is golf’s new big thing. He also won his first WGC event at the Workday Championship

in February that, along with lifting the claret jug at Royal St. George’s in July, put him atop the Race to Dubai standings despite playing only two “regular” events on the European Tour in 2021. At the Ryder Cup, he earned 3 ½ points from a possible 4 as the United States beat Europe by a record margin. For Morikawa, 2021 could hardly have gone better. “Pretty good,” he said with a smile. “Look ... I’m always looking for what’s next, but I’m going to try to enjoy this one. This one is special.” **Gooch claims 1st title:** Talor Gooch was playing too well to get fazed by anything Sunday in the RSM Classic, and it paid off with his first PGA Tour title when he closed with a 6-under 64 for a three-shot victory at Sea Island in St. Simons Island, Georgia. Gooch ran off three birdies in four holes to start the back nine and never let anyone get close to cap off a strong fall with the ultimate prize. The victory moved him to the top of the FedEx Cup standings, to No. 33 in the world ranking and to Augusta National in April for the Masters. “To finish the fall off like I did, it’s a dream come true,” Gooch said. Gooch tied the tournament record of 22-under 260 set by Kevin Kisner in 2014. He became the seventh player in the 12-year history of the event to make the RSM Classic his first victory. **Tiger swings into action:** One swing, two words and three seconds of a video was all it took from Tiger Woods to get everyone talking Sunday about his future on the golf course. Woods hadn’t made a public

comment about injuries from his Feb. 23 car accident in Los Angeles since May, and he didn’t have a lot to offer on Twitter. “Making progress,” was all he said, accompanied by the video of a smooth swing with a wedge. Woods was wearing a black compression sleeve on his right leg, with a large bucket half-filled with golf balls on a practice range. He also had a launch monitor behind him that measures such metrics as distance and ball speed. Woods was recovering from another back procedure at the start of the year when he ran his SUV over a median and it toppled down a steep hill on a winding, sweeping road in the Los Angeles suburbs on his way to a television shoot at a golf course. Doctors said he shattered tibia and fibula bones on his right leg in multiple locations. Those were stabilized by a rod in the tibia. A combination of screws and pins were used to stabilize additional injuries in the ankle and foot. In an interview published May 27 in Golf Digest, with which Woods has a financial deal, he described the rehabilitation from this surgery as “more painful than anything I have ever experienced.” He said at the time his top priority was “walking on my own.” He took care of that already, with videos on social media in the last month showing him walking on golf courses during junior events. Woods, 46, hasn’t played since the PNC Championship with his son, Charlie, last December. His last full tournament was the Masters one year ago in November. AP writer Doug Ferguson contributed.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL WHAT WE LEARNED

Buckeyes looking like second best

By Matt Murschel | Orlando Sentinel

Ohio State makes its case as the No. 2 team in the country. Throughout much of the season, it was Georgia and everyone else when it came to the national championship race. Still, Ohio State’s demolishing of Michigan State proves the Buckeyes are a team to contend with when it comes to the College Football Playoff and a win over rival Michigan next week could seal the deal. **The Ducks aren’t as good as the selection committee made them out to be.** For weeks, the playoff selection committee told us that Oregon was a better team than Ohio State because of its head-to-head win earlier this season. The Ducks, however, couldn’t live up to that hype, suffering an embarrassing blowout to Utah that effectively eliminated them and the Pac-12 from the playoff race.

Alabama returns to the SEC title game but not without concerns. The Crimson Tide outlasted Arkansas to claim their third SEC West divisional crown in the last four years behind a historic performance by quarterback Bryce Young. But not without revealing several concerning flaws, including poor offensive line play and a defense that continues to play down to its competition.

Young and C.J. Stroud make their cases for the Heisman. The race for the Heisman Trophy has been wide open throughout much of the season, but that might have changed Saturday after impressive performances by quarterbacks C.J. Stroud (Ohio State) and Young. Stroud completed 32 of 35 passes for 432 yards and six touchdowns, while Young threw for 561 yards and five touchdowns.

Cincinnati finally played like a playoff contender. Whether nerves or playing down to its competition, undefeated Cincinnati hadn’t played like a team deserving of a playoff spot. That changed Saturday as the Bearcats returned to form and dominated SMU in a win that could go far in convincing the selection committee; they deserve a top-four ranking this week.

Don’t overlook Notre Dame in the playoff discussion. It’s all too easy to fall in love with Georgia, Ohio State and Cincinnati when prophesying about the playoff field, but Notre Dame has quietly put itself in those talks. The Irish have looked impressive since suffering their only loss to Cincinnati. With the likelihood of teams above them losing, the Bearcats could be right in the mix.

The Ohio State-Michigan game figures to be one to remember. Ohio State and Michigan have seemingly been on a collision course for weeks, setting up what could be an unforgettable matchup. The winner comes away with the Big Ten East crown and a trip to the conference title game while earning a spot in the top four heading into the season’s final week.

Clemson is back, baby! Despite falling out of the top 25 after early losses, Clemson has made its way back into the ACC picture by winning four straight and six of its last seven, including a dominating win over Wake Forest. The Tigers still need some help, including a Wake Forest loss to Boston College and an North Carolina State loss to North Carolina to return to the conference game and a shot at Pittsburgh.

Florida cuts ties with Dan Mullen. It only seemed a matter of time, but Florida’s overtime loss to Missouri sealed Dan Mullen’s fate as the school parted ways with the Gators coach Sunday, ending weeks of speculation. Mullen took Florida to three New Year’s Six bowl games, but nine losses over the last 14 games and a lack of faith by the fan base ultimately cost him his job.




Bedlam could hold Big 12’s playoff hopes. Oklahoma’s win over Iowa State on Saturday has the Sooners on the cusp of returning to the Big 12 championship game for a seventh straight year. To get there, they’ll need to get past rival Oklahoma State, which secured a spot with its win over Texas Tech. The winner of the Bedlam Series remains the conference’s best hope to return to the playoff.



QB C.J. Stroud was 32 of 35 for 432 yards and six TDs in Ohio State’s rout of Michigan State on Saturday. JAY LAPRETE/AP

WEATHER




MONDAY



Mostly cloudy with lingering AM showers, turning breezy and cooler late. West to northwest wind at 5 to 15 mph.

HIGH 52°
LOW 27°




TUESDAY



Partly sunny, windy and chilly.

HIGH 41°
LOW 22°




WEDNESDAY



Sunny and cool.

HIGH 45°
LOW 27°




THURSDAY



Sunshine mixing with afternoon clouds, milder.

HIGH 52°
LOW 34°

FRIDAY







Mostly cloudy with a chance for showers or periods of light rain.

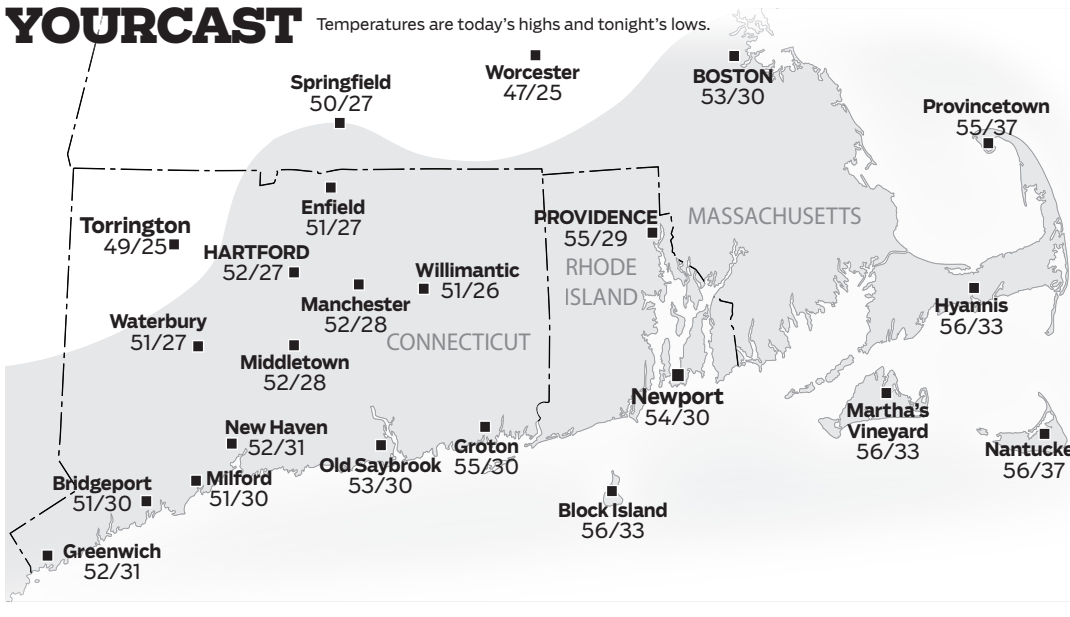
HIGH 47°
LOW 24°

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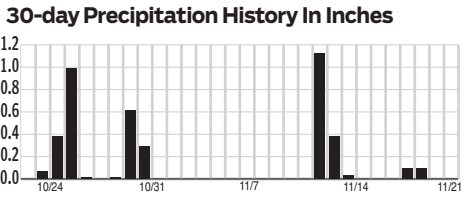
A cold front moving through Monday morning will cause clouds and scattered showers, then mostly cloudy skies in the afternoon. It will become breezy and turn a bit cooler. The sky will clear tonight and it will turn cold, especially inland where lows will be in the 20s. Tuesday will have sunshine, but there will be a gusty northwest wind that will keep wind chill values in the 30s midday and in the afternoon. Wednesday will feature sun with highs in the 40s. It will be milder Thanksgiving Day, so only a sweater or light jacket is needed for those indulging in a post festivities stroll.

-Gary Lessor

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Precipitation In Inches	Total Normal
Yesterday (by 7 p.m.)	0.00 0.12
Month to date	1.71 2.36
Total this year	51.75 41.82

Precipitation, temperature at Windsor Locks



Air Quality Forecast For Today

Good 17

Low 1

41°


Air Quality Today


Ultraviolet Index Today


Wind Chill Today


	Today	Tomorrow
Sunrise	6:48 a.m.	6:49 a.m.
Sunset	4:25 p.m.	4:25 p.m.
Moonrise	6:42 p.m.	7:36 p.m.
Moonset	9:53 a.m.	10:42 a.m.

Moon Phase

 Last Nov 27

 New Dec 4

 First Dec 10

 Full Dec 18

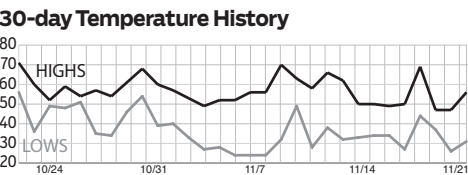
Tides	High	Low	Temp.
N.L. State Pier	11:06 a.m. 11:42 p.m.	4:48 a.m. 5:48 p.m.	57°
Saybrook Jetty	12:05 a.m. 12:17 p.m.	5:41 a.m. 6:41 p.m.	55°
Connecticut River at Portland	2:48 a.m. 3:00 p.m.	9:27 a.m. 10:27 p.m.	
Madison	12:23 a.m. 12:29 p.m.	6:13 a.m. 6:52 p.m.	53°
New Haven	12:43 a.m. 12:49 p.m.	6:37 a.m. 7:16 p.m.	53°
Stamford	12:47 a.m. 12:53 p.m.	6:51 a.m. 7:30 p.m.	55°

River Stage at Hartford: 6.49 feet at 5:30 p.m.

Boating	L.I. Sound W	L.I. Sound E	B. I. Sound
Weather	AM Shower	AM Showers	Showers
Wind	W, 15	W/NW, 10-20	SW/NW, 15
Seas	2-3 ft.	2-3 ft.	3-5 ft.

Temperature	High	Low
Sunday	56 at 1:47 p.m.	31 at 12:24 a.m.
Normal for date	49	31
Record for date	70 in 1931	13 in 1987
A year ago	61	39
Range this year	99	1

Heating Degree Days	Season	Normal	Last Season
For July 1 - Nov 21	712	928	793



Atmosphere	High	Low
Barometer	30.41 at 12 a.m.	30.12 at 6 p.m.
Dew point	37° at 6 p.m.	25° at 2 p.m.

AROUND THE WORLD

Today's forecast in cities not included in the maps above:

NEW ENGLAND

Bangor	51 24 SH
Burlington	45 21 PC
Caribou	45 21 R
Concord	48 19 C
Montpelier	41 18 C
Mt. Wash.	24 4 C
Portland	53 27 SH
Woods Hole	56 30 SH

NATION

Albany	43 26 C
Albuquerque	59 36 S
Atlantic City	53 28 C

Baltimore	53 28 C
Bismarck	46 21 PC
Boise	50 27 PC
Buffalo	38 27 C
Charleston	68 41 C
Cincinnati	40 20 S
Cleveland	37 23 PC
Indianapolis	40 22 PC
Jacksonville	72 46 C
Las Vegas	67 46 PC
Miami Beach	83 65 SH
Milwaukee	35 18 S

Nashville	48 25 PC
New Orleans	72 48 PC
New York	54 32 C
Oklahoma City	66 40 S
Omaha	48 30 C
Orlando	77 53 C
Pittsburgh	40 23 C
Raleigh	60 29 C
St. Louis	46 27 PC
Salt Lake City	54 33 PC
San Antonio	72 44 S
San Diego	79 56 PC

WORLD

Amsterdam	46 34 S
Athens	68 59 S
Bangkok	91 77 T
Barbados	86 77 PC
Beijing	39 23 S
Beirut	71 62 S
Berlin	45 32 C
Bermuda	74 64 PC

Budapest	46 34 C
Buenos Aires	99 57 T
Cairo	74 57 PC
Cancun	82 72 T
Dubai	91 73 S
Dublin	46 37 PC
Edinburgh	45 41 C
Helsinki	34 28 S
Hong Kong	73 59 C
Istanbul	61 52 PC
Jerusalem	61 48 PC
Johannesburg	73 55 SH

Kingston	89 72 PC
Lisbon	59 46 PC
London	50 41 S
Madrid	48 39 R
Mexico City	71 52 PC
Milan	48 43 R
Montreal	45 19 R
Moscow	30 19 SN
Nassau	81 74 T
New Delhi	79 54 C
Paris	46 34 C
Prague	43 28 SH
Rio de Janeiro	61 63 C
Rome	61 52 R
Seoul	43 27 R
Singapore	91 75 T

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LOCAL SCOREBOARDS

Sunday's high school results

CIAC STATE TOURNAMENTS

BOYS SOCCER

Class L
Wethersfield 4, Fitch 1

Class S
Old Saybrook 4, Canton 1

GIRLS SOCCER

Class L
St. Joseph 2, Simsbury 0

Class S
Holy Cross 3, Northwest Catholic 2

GIRLS SWIMMING

CIAC State Open
At Cornerstone Aquatic, West Hartford

Top 20teams: 1. Greenwich, 505.5;
2. Darien, 377; 3. Glastonbury, 364.5;
4. Ridgefield, 304.5; 5. Staples, 300;
6. Weston, 258; 7. Cheshire, 247; 8.
Newtown, 215; 9. Hall, 203; 10. Amity,
197; 11. Seymour, 180; 12. New Canaan,
174; 13. Wilton, 166; 14. Lauralton Hall,
150.5; 15. Wethersfield, 144; 16. West-
hill/Stamford, 130; 17. Lyman Hall, 120;
18. East Catholic, 116; 19. Trumbull, 113;
20. Conard, 85.

200medley relay: 1. Greenwich (Sena
Bozkurt, Michelle Weissler, Caterina
Li, Payton Foster), 1:45.92; 2. Darien,
1:47.05; 3. Amity, 1:48.90; 4. Ridgefield,
1:49.94; 5. Weston, 1:50.37; 6. Hall,
1:50.53.

200free: 1. Avery Kudlac, Glastonbury,
1:51.50; 2. Claire Kehley, Luralton Hall,
1:53.03; 3. Sophia Velleco, Seymour,
1:53.80; 5. Brianna Deierlein, Newtown,
1:53.94; 6. Olivia Herbert, Bethel/
Immaculate, 1:54.06.

200IM: 1. Lauren Walsh, Trumbull,
2:00.19; 2. Payton Foster, Greenwich,
2:00.35; 3. Aislin Farris, Enfield/Somers,
2:02.48; 4. Julia Barto, Cheshire, 2:04.60;
5. Miller Ward, Darien, 2:05.21; 6.
Meghan Tiernan, Hall, 2:05.30.

50free: 1. Annam Olasewere, Staples,
22.58; 2. Kathleen Murray, Fair-

field Ludlowe, 23.44; 3. Riley Kudlac,
Glastonbury, 23.53; 4. Natalia Ferranto,
Darien, 23.87; 5. Katrine Oleary,
Seymour, 24.04; 6. Annika Paluska,
Glastonbury, 24.36.

100fly: 1. Miller Ward, Darien, 55.38;
2. Avery Kudlac, Glastonbury, 55.66;
3. Kathleen Murray, Fairfield Ludlowe,
56.86; 4. Caterina Li, Greenwich, 57.05;
5. Lily Alberbald, Ridgefield, 57.15; 6.
Sophia Velleco, Seymour, 57.21.

100free: 1. Annam Olasewere, Staples,
50.21; 2. Riley Kudlac, Glastonbury,
51.49; 3. Katrine Oleary, Seymour,
52.11; 4. Jessica Qi, Staples, 52.60; 5.
Alanna DePinto, Wethersfield, 52.70; 6.
Katherine Franco, Weston, 53.06.

500free: 1. Payton Foster, Greenwich,
4:54.59; 2. Virginia Hastings, Wilton,
4:59.76; 3. Claire Kehley, Luralton
Hall, 5:00.85; 4. Meghan Tiernan, Hall,
5:02.05; 5. Norah Rome, East Haven
co-op, 5:04.98; 6. Lillian Codd, New
Canaan, 5:05.00.

200free relay: 1. Staples (Jessica Qi,
Ella Alpert, Ayaan Olasewere, Annam
Olasewere), 1:35.94; 2. Glastonbury,
1:36.08; 3. Darien, 1:38.10; 4. Amity,
1:38.56; 5. Cheshire, 1:38.71; 6. Ridge-
field, 1:38.89.

100back: 1. Aislin Farris, Enfield/
Somers, 56.38; 2. Jacqueline Fox, Hall,
56.75; 3. Brianna Deierlein, Newtown,
57.21; 4. Olivia Huewe, Weston, 57.56; 5.
Tahlia Crowley, East Catholic, 58.03; 6.
Sena Bozkurt, Greenwich, 58.92.

100breast: 1. Lauren Walsh, Trumbull,
1:01.04; 2. Michelle Weissler, Green-
wich, 1:04.37; 3. Nicole Hahn, East
Lyme, 1:04.83; 4. Caroline Krawec,
Lyman Hall, 1:05.57; 5. Rachel Davis,
Glastonbury, 1:06.34; 6. Olivia Herbert,
Bethel/Immaculate, 1:06.36.

400free relay: 1. Staples (Jessica Qi,
Ella Alpert, Ayaan Olasewere, Annam
Olasewere), 3:27.46; 2. Glastonbury,
3:28.74; 3. Greenwich, 3:31.25; 4.
Cheshire, 3:35.71; 5. Weston, 3:36.52; 6.
Darien, 3:36.54.

Saturday's late college results

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Fairfield 71, Sacred Heart 61

MEN'S HOCKEY
Cornell 3, Yale 0

Quinnipiac 8, St. Lawrence 0
Sacred Heart at Air Force, late

Sunday's college results

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NCAA Div. III Tournament—Quarterfi-
nal (Cambridge, Mass.)
Wesleyan 2, MIT 1(OT)

FIELD HOCKEY

NCAA Div. III Tournament—Final (Trin-
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Middlebury 4, Johns Hopkins 1

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

MAAC Tournament—Final (Loudon-
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Fairfield 3, Rider 0(25-11, 25-18, 25-21)

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WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Trinity 167, Hamilton 131
Colby 165, Trinity 131

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Herb Kenny Tournament (Middletown)
Championship Game
Wesleyan 80, WPI 56
Consolation Game
Mitchell 90, Pratt Institute 75

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Sacred Heart at Stony Brook, 6:30p.m.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Quinnipiac at Georgetown, 5p.m.
Battle 4Atlantis (Paradise Island,
Bahamas)
Championship Game
UConn vs. South Carolina, noon

MEN'S HOCKEY
Sacred Heart at Air Force, 9p.m.

MEN'S SWIMMING

Amherst at Wesleyan, 5p.m.

WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Amherst at Wesleyan, 5p.m.
Tuesday's college schedule

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Quinnipiac at New Hampshire, 4p.m.
Johnson & Wales at Eastern, 5p.m.
Hartford at Merrimack, 7p.m.

Central at Maine, 7p.m.
Western New England at Trinity, 7p.m.
Rocket Mortgage Fort Myers Tip-Off
(Fort Myers, Fla.)
Southern Utah vs. Yale, noon

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Brown at Hartford, 5p.m.
Eastern at Western New England, 5p.m.
Elms at St. Joseph, 5p.m.

Wesleyan at Skidmore, 5:30p.m.
Fairfield at Navy, 6p.m.

MEN'S HOCKEY
Wesleyan at Endicott, 7p.m.
Sacred Heart at Air Force, 7:30p.m.